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There are a lot of people in this world who don't fit in, and might act strange, and tend to keep to themselves. That's definitely true of the Crystal Gems, who aren't even people at all! They're aliens who have chosen to live on Earth, and they're devoted to protecting the human race!

But as much as they love humans, they don't really know how to act around them. Steven Quartz Universe, the youngest Crystal Gem, is the only half human on the team, so he's easily the best at interacting with humans! He also knows the Gems really well and why they are the way they are.

He wrote this guide, so that if you ever come across Garnet, Amethyst, Pearl, or any of their Fusions, or even Gems from Homeworld, you'll know how to talk to them.

All right, Steven Universe, take it from here!

-REBECCA SUGAR
Creator of Steven Universe



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THE CRYSTAL GEMS





Hello, human beings!

I'm Steven Quartz Universe! I look pretty human, but I'm actually half Gem, on my mom's side. Aside from my dad, most humans don't know much about Gems, which is a real shame, because there are a lot of interesting things I think everybody ought to know about Gems, especially the Crystal Gems. We're right here on Earth, and we love you, and we want to keep you safe!



For the sake of
life and love on the
planet Earth

We will protect
you in the name of
Rose Quartz!

Peace, earthlings!

Gems are a species, but the Crystal Gems are a movement! Five thousand five hundred years ago, we fought for this planet's independence! Thanks to the tireless efforts of the fearless, brilliant, incomparable Rose Quartz, this is NOT a Gem-controlled planet!

Mom and the
Crystal Gems already saved
the world!

Yes! There was just so
much on Earth that was
worth protecting!



Romancel

Amor

The next day I found it easier than the night before to find my way to the hole I had made for Amethyst. That's the place where I keep the small pieces of the necklace.

Amethyst's hole is still there!

The sun was very kind of us, but Amethyst and I were mostly bare. I think it was because we were both so happy, and maybe we're just naturally more comfortable in our skin. But even though we decided to do something bigger, I still wanted to be as comfortable as possible.

Amethyst and I lay down on the grass, and she said she would tell me all about her past—her family, her friends, her school, her job, her pets, and her hobbies. I just listened, and we talked for hours, until the sun went down.



Aw shucks, Steven!
Cut it out . . .



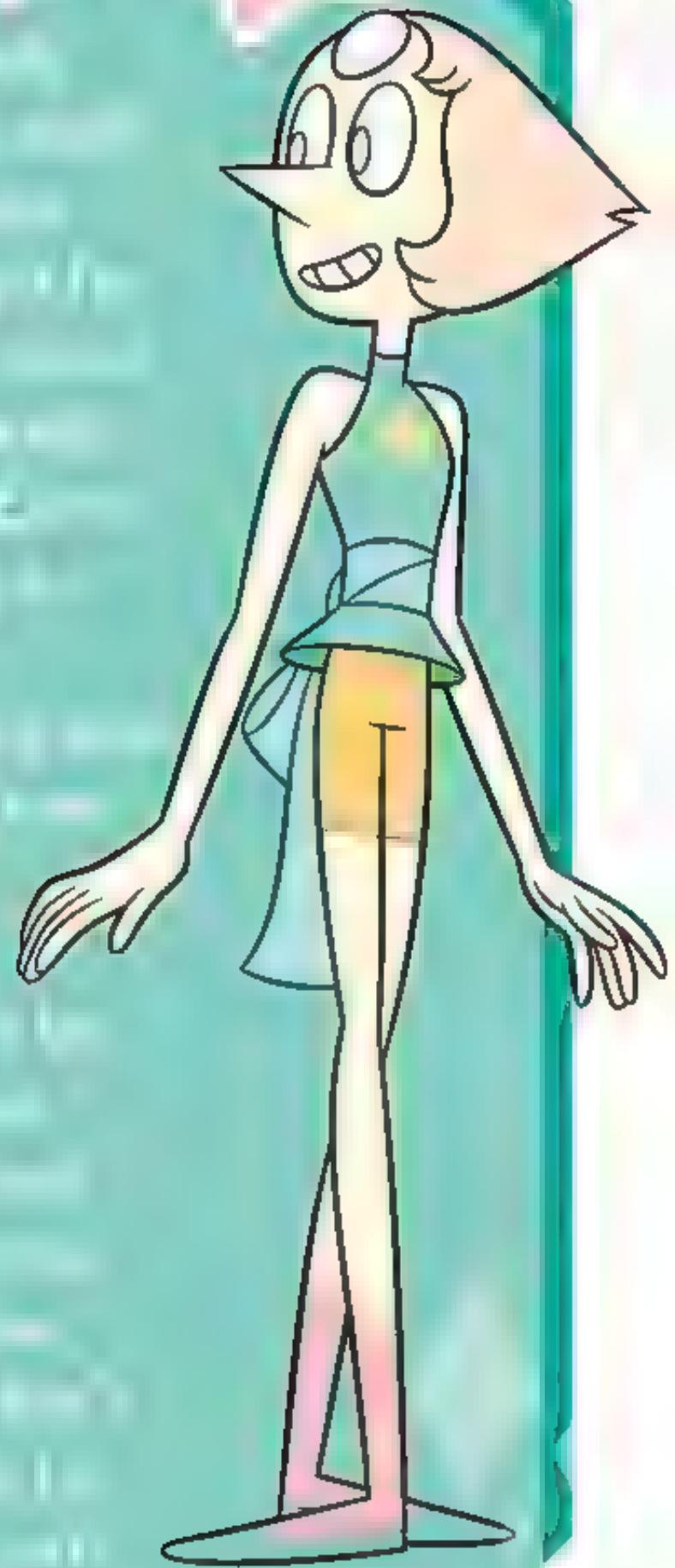
Garnet is our leader! She's the strongest fighter and she can see visions of the future which help the team figure out what to do. She's really tough and really nice and she's a FUSION Gem. You do something where they dance and glow and then their bodies kind of phase into each other, and they turn into a totally new Gem with a whole new personality and everything!

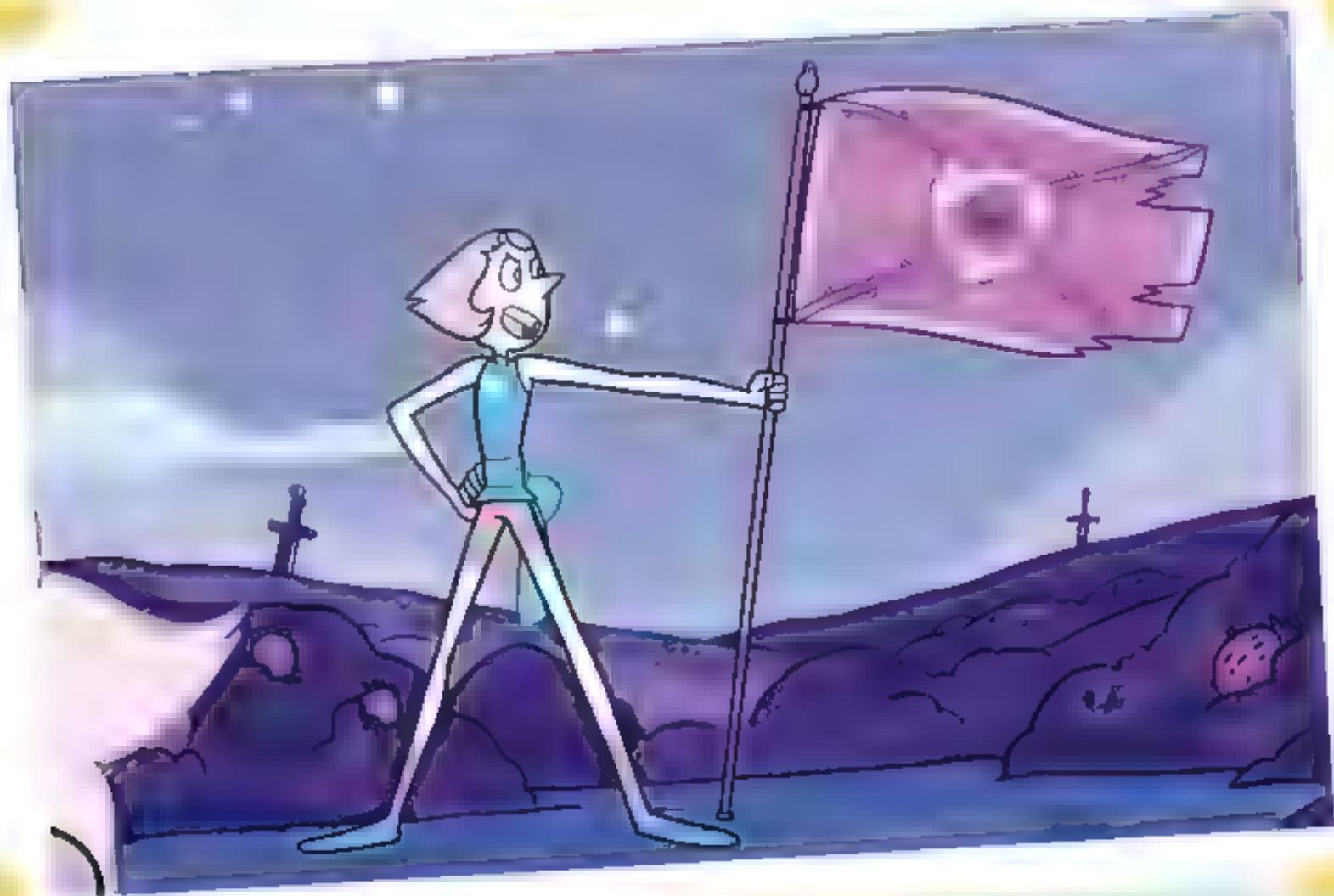
For a lot of Gems that's really hard to do, but it's not for Garnet because Garnet wants to stay together. She's made of Ruby and Sapphire, two Gems who love each other and can't stand to be apart. That's why Garnet is so strong—she's made of love, and it's really, really strong! Maybe that's why she's so great at being a leader, because she doesn't think just one person knows better—she really believes in teamwork and she listens to all of us. That's probably also why she's so quiet. Maybe she's just talking things over and listening inside herself all the time. Or maybe she's looking into the future. Anyway, I love Garnet!



Love is the
answer.







You can be a Crystal Gem, too!

If you believe
in love!

Believe in love
The love of others



*Fight for life on the
planet Earth,*



*Defend all human beings,
even the ones that you
don't understand,*



*Believe in love that is out
of anyone's control,*



*And then risk
everything for it!*



Even though we've already won the fight for Earth, we're still trying to keep it safe! There are battle-damaged Gems that are still around, and they're not like us. Something's really wrong with them. They're like horrible monsters. We have to poof their bodies away, and then we keep their Gems inside of bubbles, so they can't form again and hurt anybody. Maybe someday I'll be able to heal what's wrong with them, but I'm not sure how. Mom couldn't fix them, either. For now we're keeping them safe inside the Temple.

There are new Gems, too, coming back here from the Gem Homeworld . . . They don't really care about the Earth or humans, and they don't seem to like us Crystal Gems much at all. But don't worry, whatever they want to do to the Earth, we'll stop them!

We're doing

Please don't be
afraid.



Steven Universe

Species: Human

Gem Type:

Alignment:

Hair Color:

Clothing:

Gem:

Gem Location:

Weapon:

Fun Fact:

Favorite Quote:



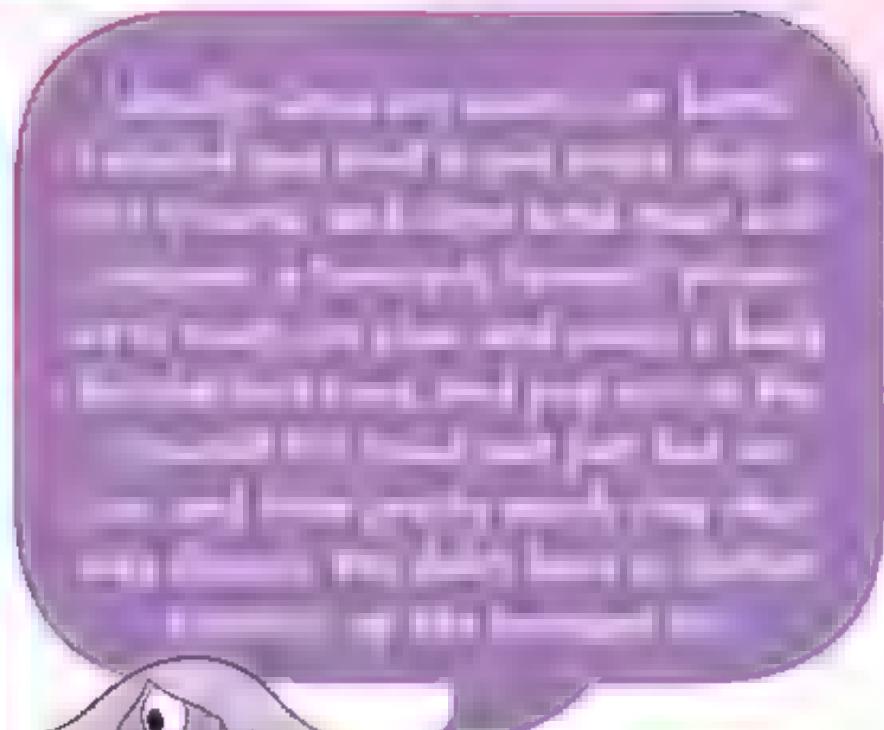


I'm pretty cool, I guess! I really like being a human and a Gem at the same time. I have powers, and I get to live with Garnet and Amethyst and Pearl, but I still get to see Dad all the time, and I get to know a lot of humans . . .

I really want to understand everybody, and I think I can, because even if I'm not like anybody, I also am like everybody! Oh, and I'm really good at music, because Dad taught me how to play a bunch of instruments. I really like to draw, too, and I'm getting better at it every day.

And even though I've figured out how to do lots of Gem stuff, I still have a lot to learn. All the other Crystal Gems have been doing Gem stuff for thousands of years longer than me, so I'm not that worried. I'm just getting started, and I know I'll get the hang of everything.

How Is It Possible?



But Rose Quartz wanted to create a human child. One who could learn and grow, with the capacity for love that comes so naturally to human beings.



Not unlike a Fusion, Rose disappeared to create an entirely new being, with all of her self integrated into half of his self. Steven is in essence, a Fusion of love, like me!



He's the real deal,
like me!





Human stuff comes easy to me! Sleeping and eating and breathing and stuff! The Gems don't really get it, but they totally try to. They always cut me slack when I can't do things they can do, and they'll watch TV, and play video games with me, and sing and play music, too.

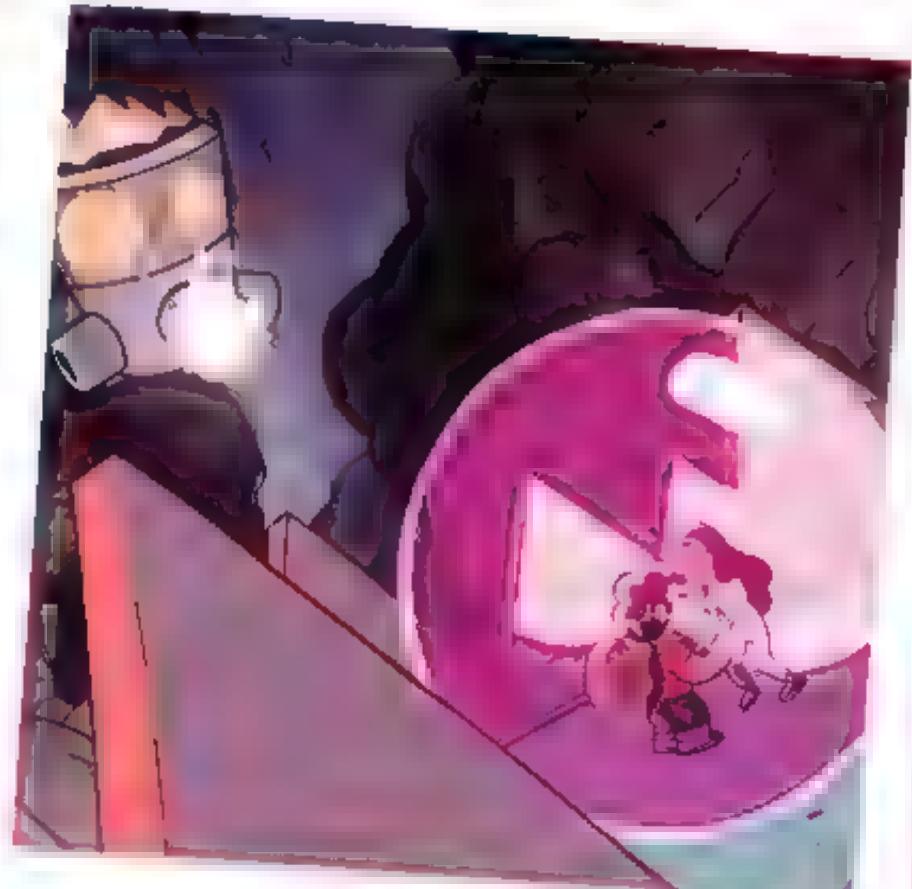


Ceili Powers



I can make a Rose Quartz shield! Dad told me that Mom used this shield to protect everybody back in the day.

I can also make a Rose Quartz bubble! I can bubble myself and my friends, to keep them safe. I'm really good at this one! I can also make small bubbles around Gems to contain them.



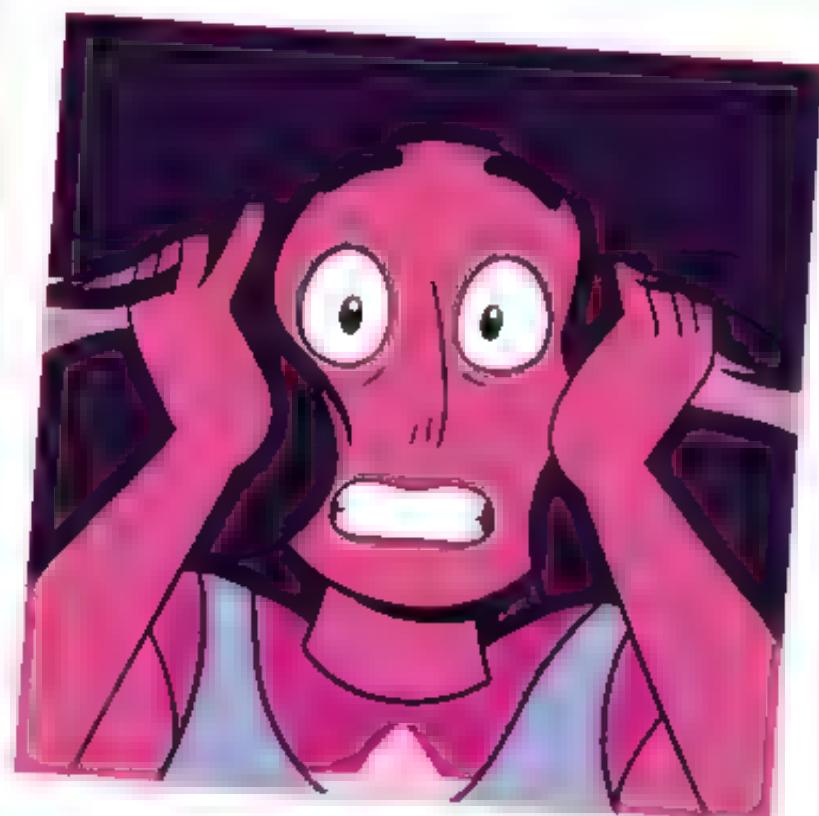


I've got healing spit! But it doesn't always work. I healed Lapis Lazuli's Gem, and I fixed Dad's leg, but some things I just can't fix. I think I get psyched out . . . Maybe it only works on living beings? I'm not sure!





I can fuse! I haven't fused with any of the Gems yet, but I've fused with Connie! A Gem has never been able to fuse with a human before, but the Gems think I can because I'm half human! Being a Fusion is amazing—you kind of disappear, but somehow you're still there, and when you both know what to do, and what you want, and support each other, you get so much stronger than just one person on their own!





Garnet

Species: *Human*

Gem Type: *Garnet*

Alignment: *Neutral Good*

Hair Color: *Black*

Clothing: *Red jumpsuit*

Personality: *Confident, determined, protective*

Strengths: *Bravery, leadership, teamwork*

Weaknesses: *Sometimes overprotective, can be stubborn*

Skills: *Hand-to-hand combat, agility, strategic planning*

Gem Location: *Part of her chest*

Weapon: *Gem-powered energy blade*

Affiliations: *Team Leader, Red Diamond's right-hand woman*

Goals: *To protect her team and the world from evil*

Fun Fact: *Garnet has a secret crush on Ruby*

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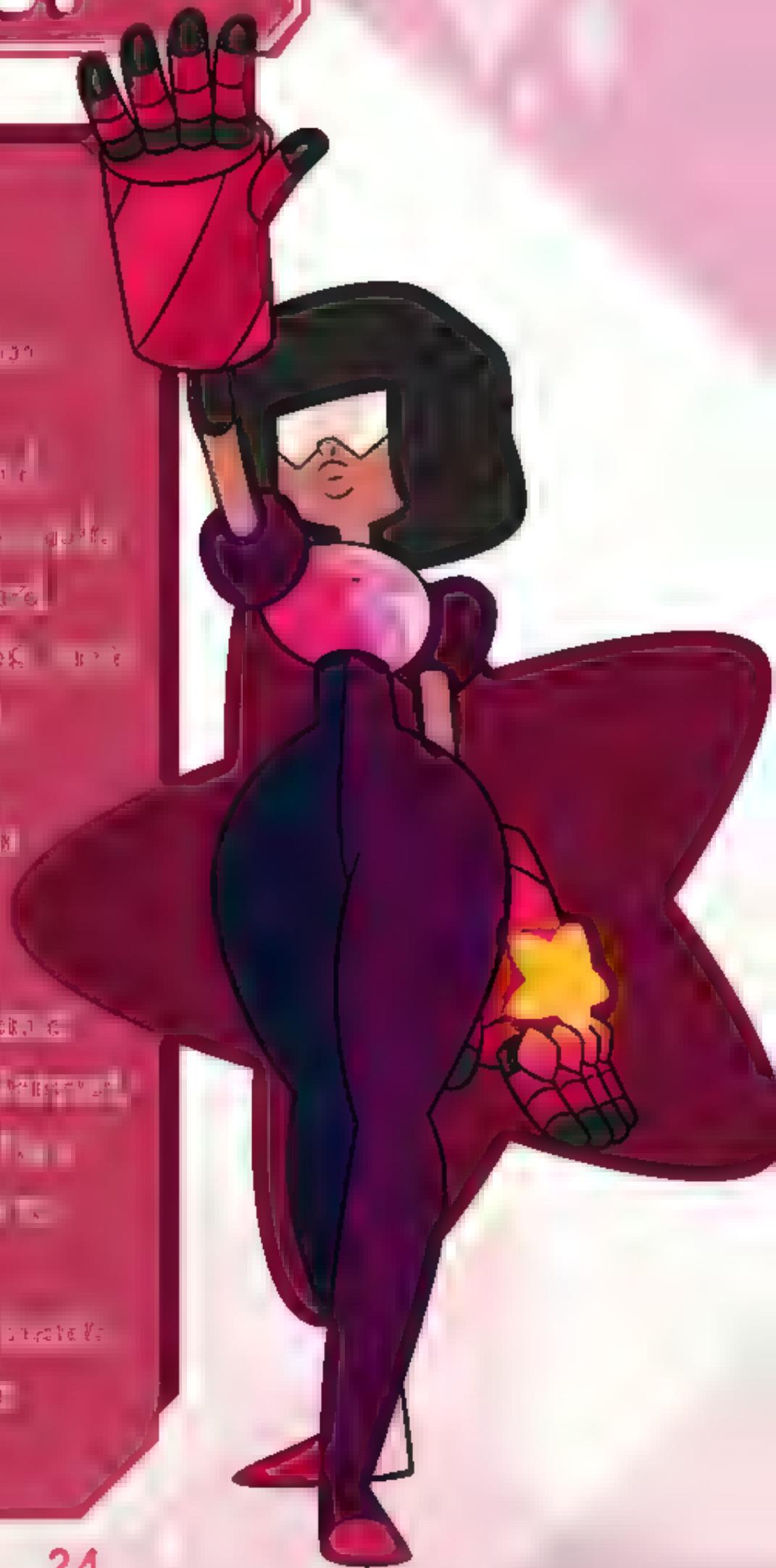
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Always Together

Garnet is super cool all the time—she's got all the answers! Sometimes she's pretty quiet, but it's probably because she's always thinking about the future, since she can see a bunch of it! That's the Sapphire part of Garnet—but Garnet is also really fierce and tough, and can fight and beat anything! She likes to solve problems by punching them. She's so hard-core...that's the Ruby part of Garnet! But she's also honest, super strong, and so sure about everything...that's the love part of Garnet!



Sapphire seems really calm. Even when she was in trouble, she sensed that Ruby would come for her! She's really deep and thoughtful—maybe a little quiet and a little distant—but when it comes to Ruby, Sapphire acts really fast, because she knows exactly what she wants: for them to always be together!

Ruby seems really tough. She's got a hot temper and gets really frustrated when she's separated from Sapphire. She might rush into things without thinking, but she can't help it—she needs to take action! She cares about Sapphire more than anything.



Fearless Leader



We always look
to Garnet when we
need to know what
to do next!

Good one!



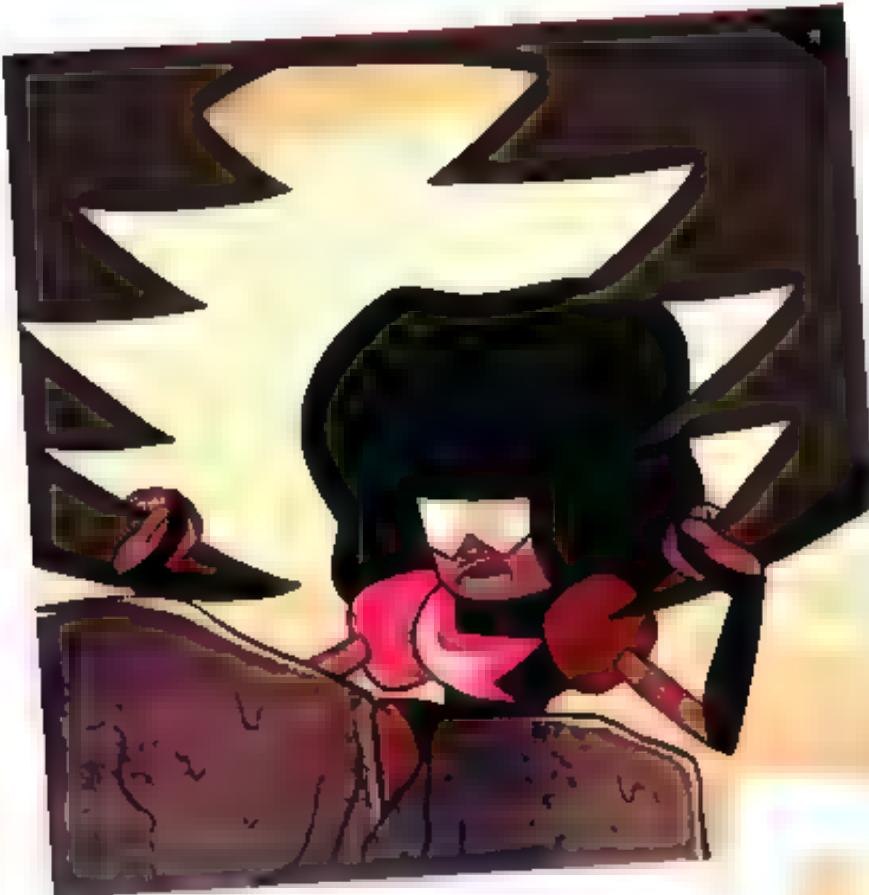
Not the Best Conversationalist



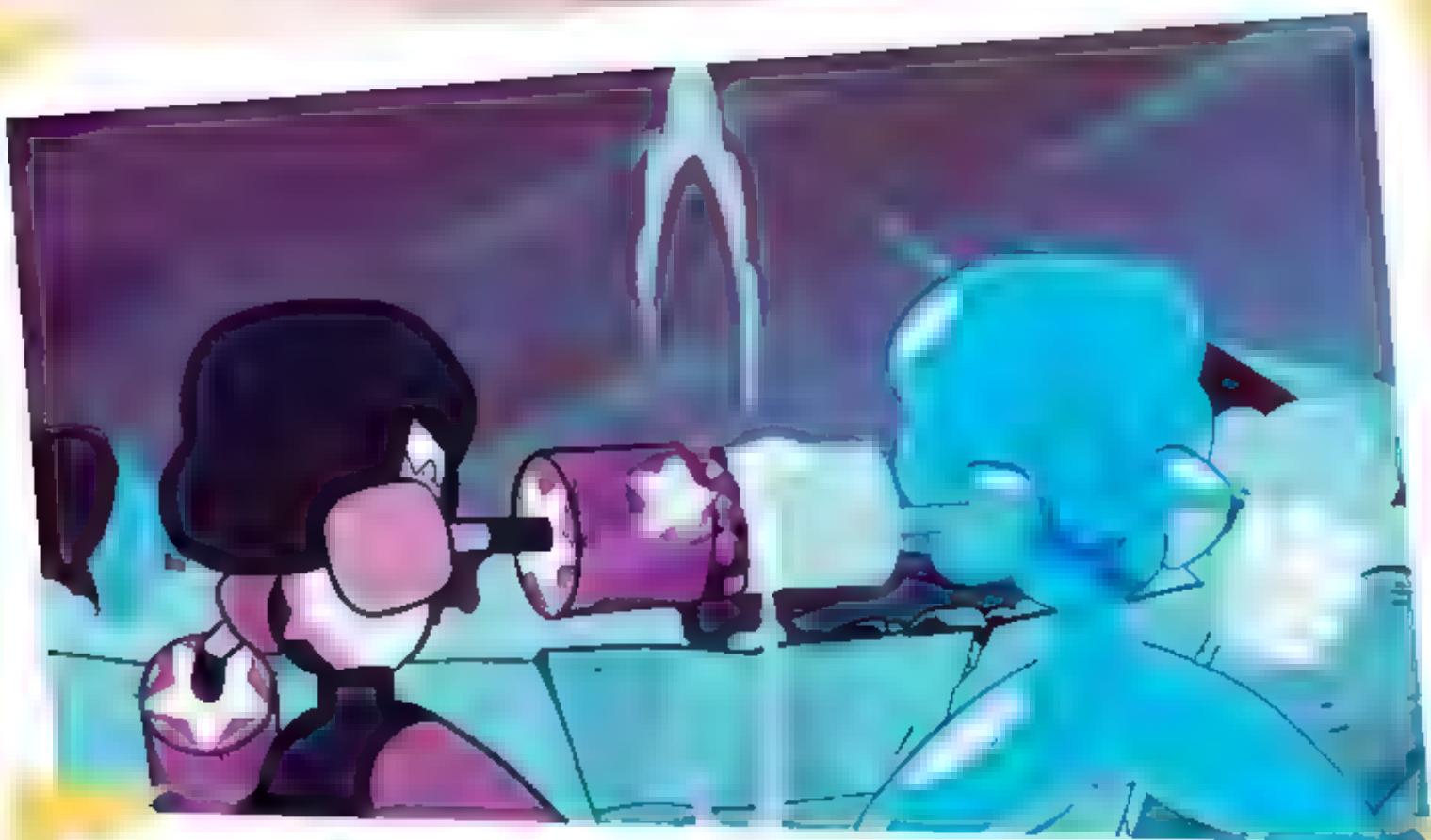
Garnet can be a little . . . blunt! Maybe a little forward sometimes, and maybe a little reserved other times, by human standards.

If you talk to her, just try to remember she probably has a lot going on inside of herself. She definitely doesn't mean to be rude or confusing! She doesn't really do chitchat, so cut straight to real talk if you're talking to Garnet. She'll probably have some really great relationship advice, if you need it!

Fearsome Foes



Garnet has fought
and bubbled lots of
corrupted Gems!



Garnet kept up with Lapis Lazuli's water crest



Jasper couldn't keep Garnet apart!

Memorable Moments



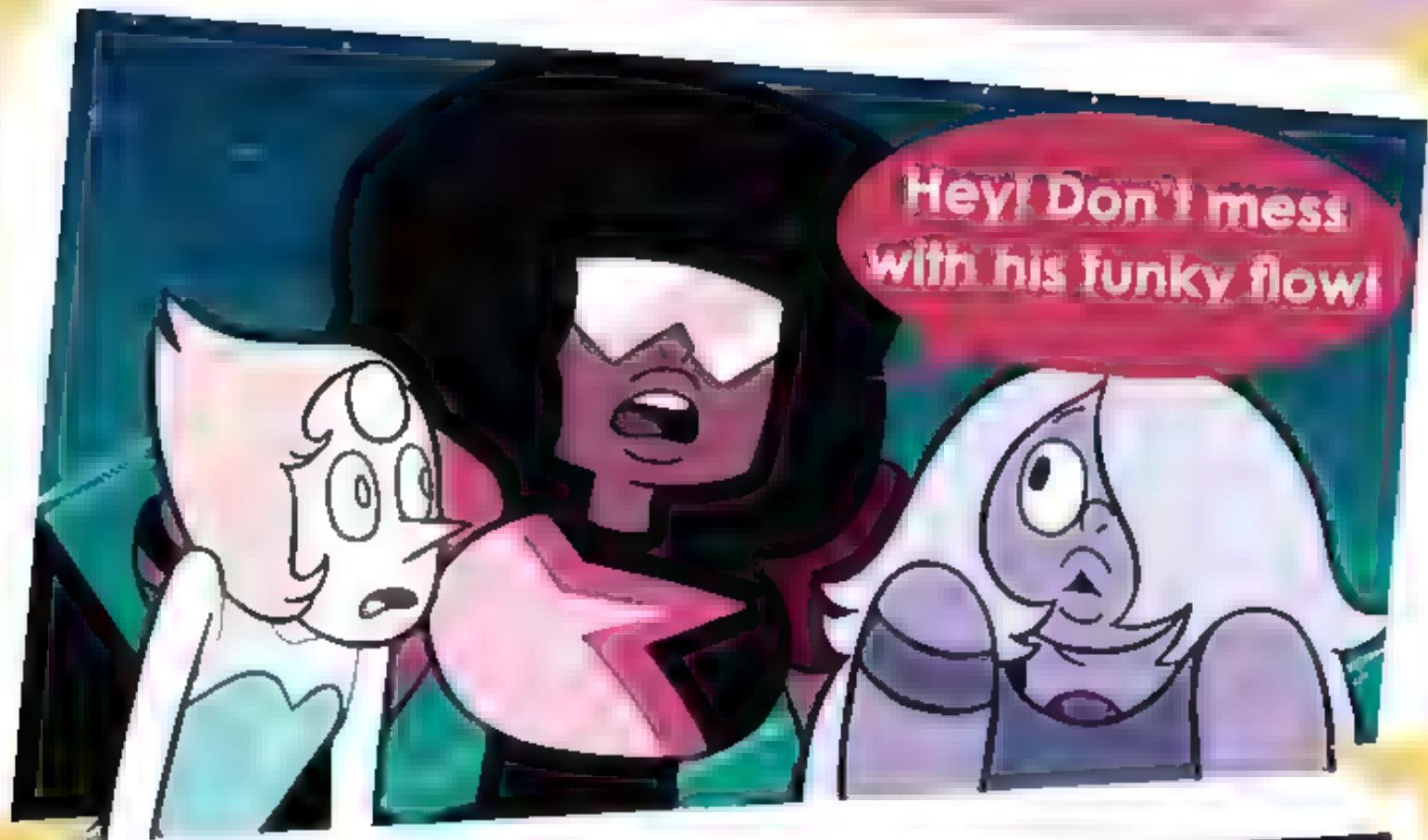
Garnet's logic helps keep me calm when I start to freak out!



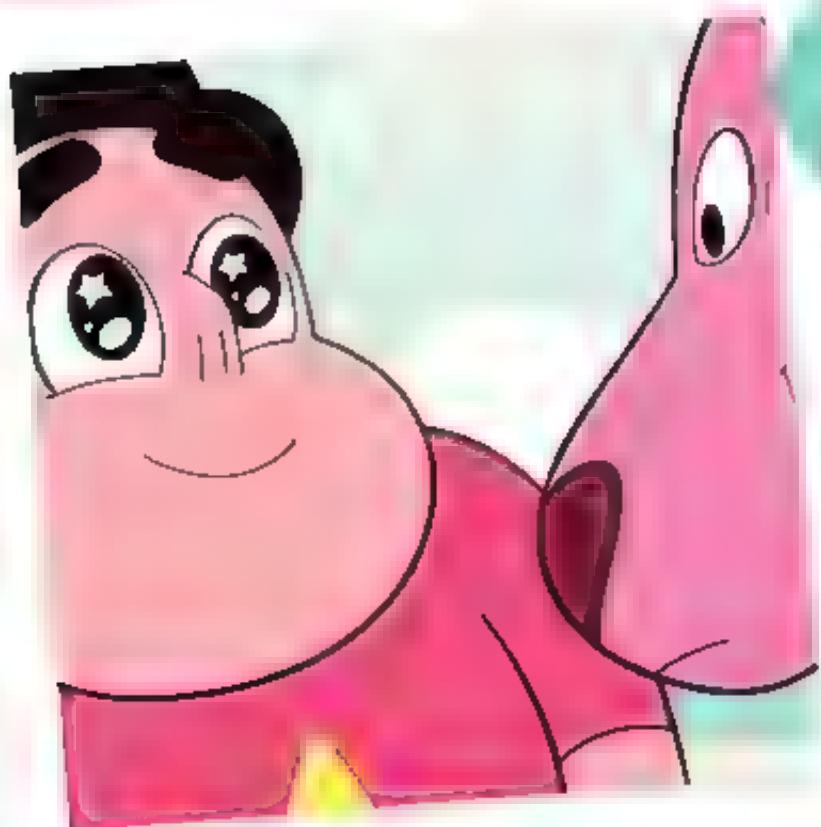


Garnet liked the special outfit I picked for the Gems' birthday party. I think it suits her!





Garnet helps out when Pearl and Amethyst try to embarrass me!



Even though Garnet may not get my jokes,
sometimes she's really funny, too!





Oops! Sometimes
Garnet takes things
kind of literally.





People can get really confused by things
Cartman says!



Connie's mom wouldn't let her come over for a while after this . . .



Amethyst

Species:

Gem Type:

Alignment: Crystal Gem

Hair Color:

Clothing: Leggings with stars on the knees and an oversize tank top

Gem Location: Chest

Weapon: Whip

Fun Fact: Amethyst has experimented with male forms, including wrestling alter ego the Purple Puma

Favorite Quote:
"I need to go see movies when you've got MAGIC!"



Made on Earth



Amethyst is the youngest Gem, aside from me! Sure, she's thousands of years old, but she didn't come out of the ground until after Garnet and Pearl and Mom were already done fighting the Earth war. Maybe it's good that she missed it—I'm glad she was safe in the ground while it was all going on. Amethyst's like me. She's never been to the Gem Homeworld or space or anything, but that's just fine, because Earth is totally the best!

★ Real Tough Fighter! ★



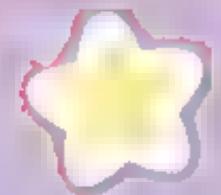
Amethyst is a crazy good fighter—she can turn into a big wrestler and roll super fast into things like a big tire, and she can grab things and throw things and even cut things with her whip!



She's Probably Just Kidding!



Amethyst can pull pranks sometimes, and she might even seem a little mean if you don't know her that well, but she's probably just kidding! If you can handle her making fun of you a little, you'll see. She's hilarious, her room is full of more cool stuff than you can even imagine, and she can eat just about anything and turn into anything, too. Nobody is more fun to hang out with than Amethyst!



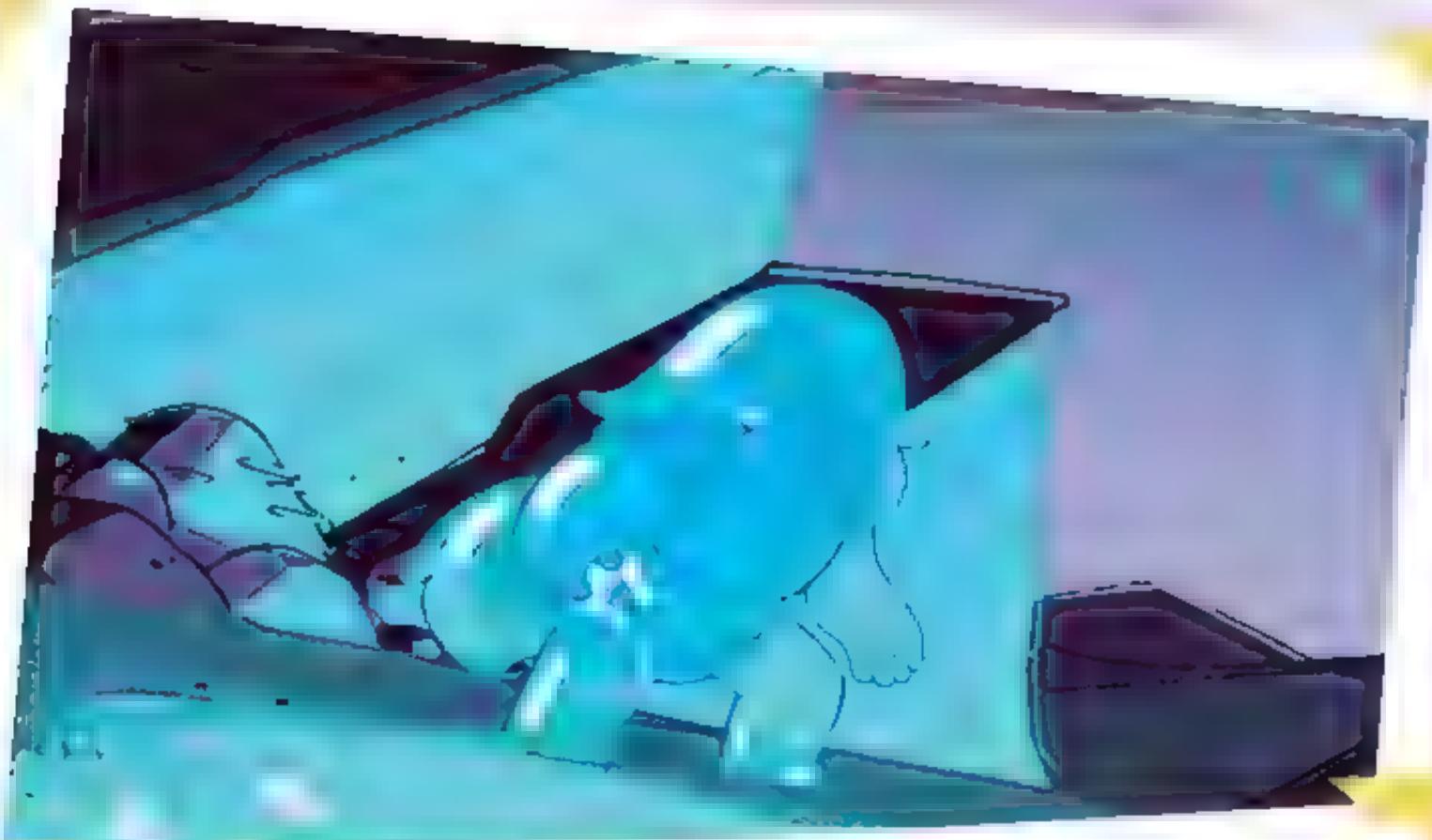
Fearsome Foes



Amethyst can almost hold her own against Garnet!



That is no
small thing.



She lost against Lapis Lazuli's water clone



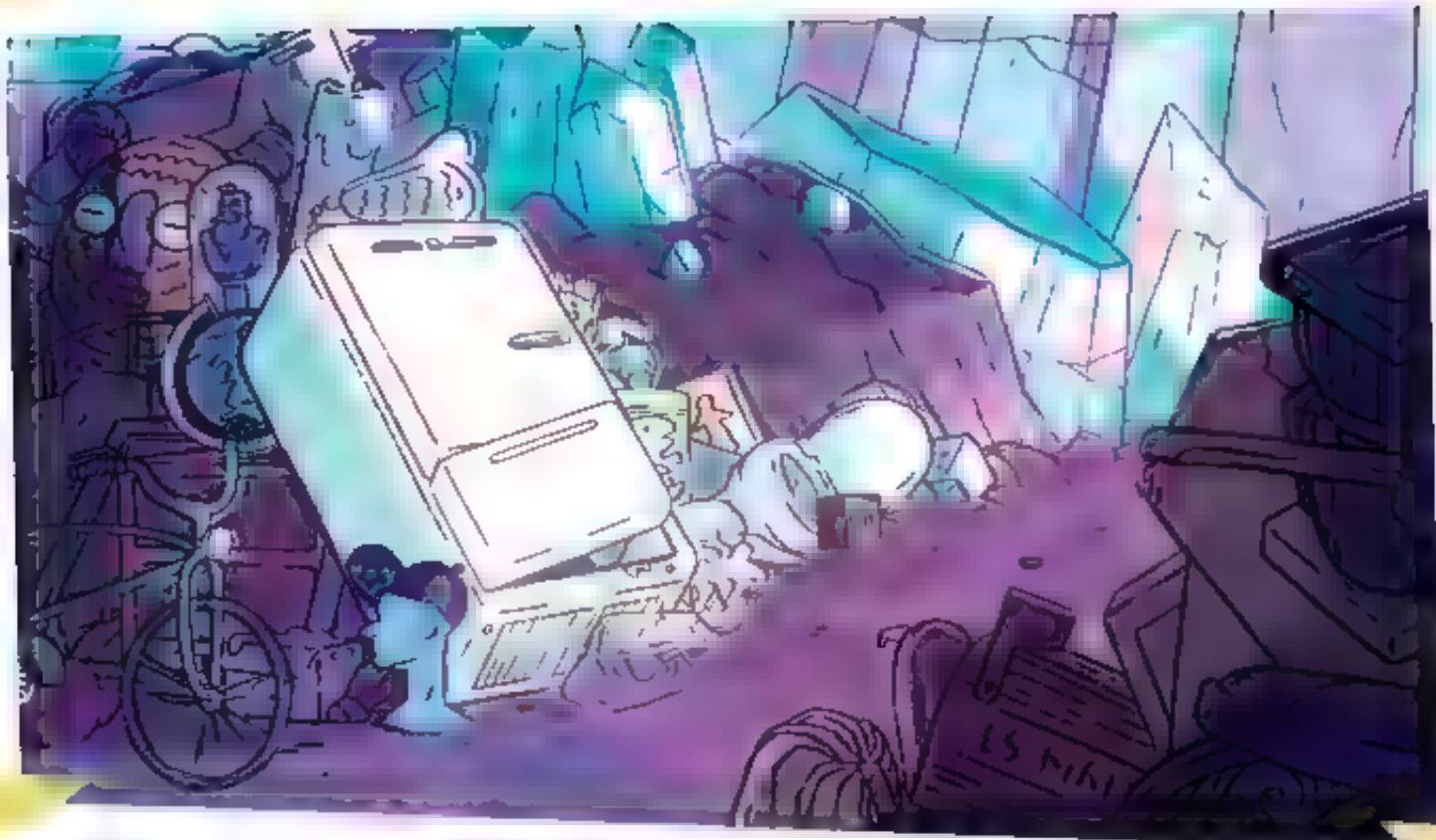
But she totally beat Peridot on the Hand Ship!



★ Memorable Moments ★



Amethyst's not
afraid of tellin' it like
it is! (But my dad's
actually pretty cool.)



Amethyst has a lot of old junk! This is probably why Pearl doesn't like to go into Amethyst's room.



This is the time that I saved us from a bunch of crystal shrimp by feeding them bagel sandwiches! Amethyst made fun of me a little, but I'm pretty sure she was impressed.



First, think of what you

your turn!



Amethyst tried to teach me to shape-shift into a cat, like her, but instead I just got cat fingers. Oh well!



Welcome to
Shrug City, P.

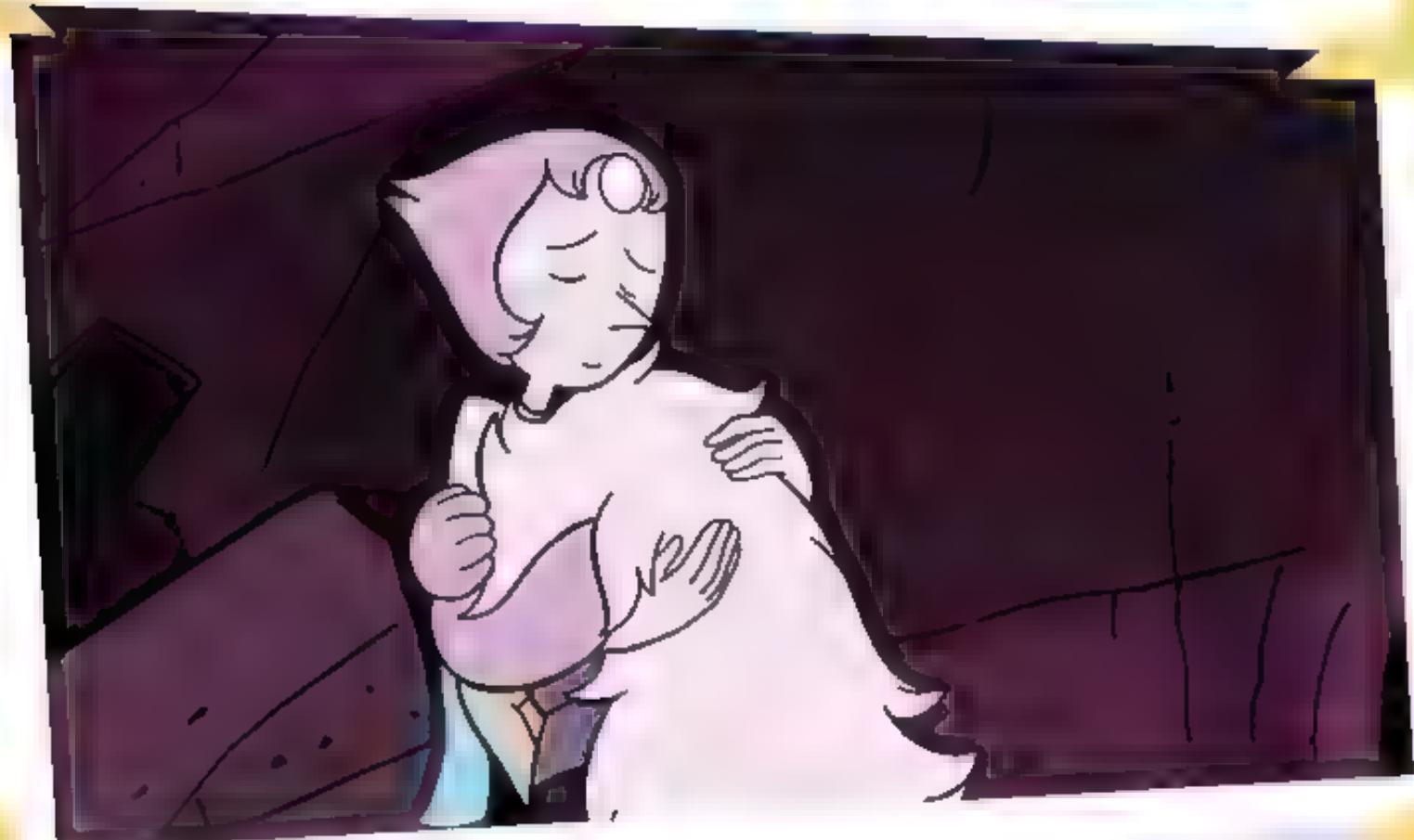


Amethyst doesn't lose her cool, even when she probably should!





Sometimes it's hard to tell when Amethyst is messing with me. I'm pretty sure she was messing with me . . .



Amethyst and Pearl disagree sometimes, but I know they care about each other!



Peril

Species: Human

Gem Type: Ruby

Alignment: Neutral

Hair Color: Brown

Clothing: Blue dress

Personality: Kind, gentle, and caring.

Loves: Her family, her friends,

and helping people in need.

Goals: To help others.

Gem Location: On her forehead.

Weapon: None

Fun Fact: She is very good at

cooking and baking.

Hobbies: Reading, cooking,

writing, and spending time with

her loved ones.

Favorite Quote: "Always

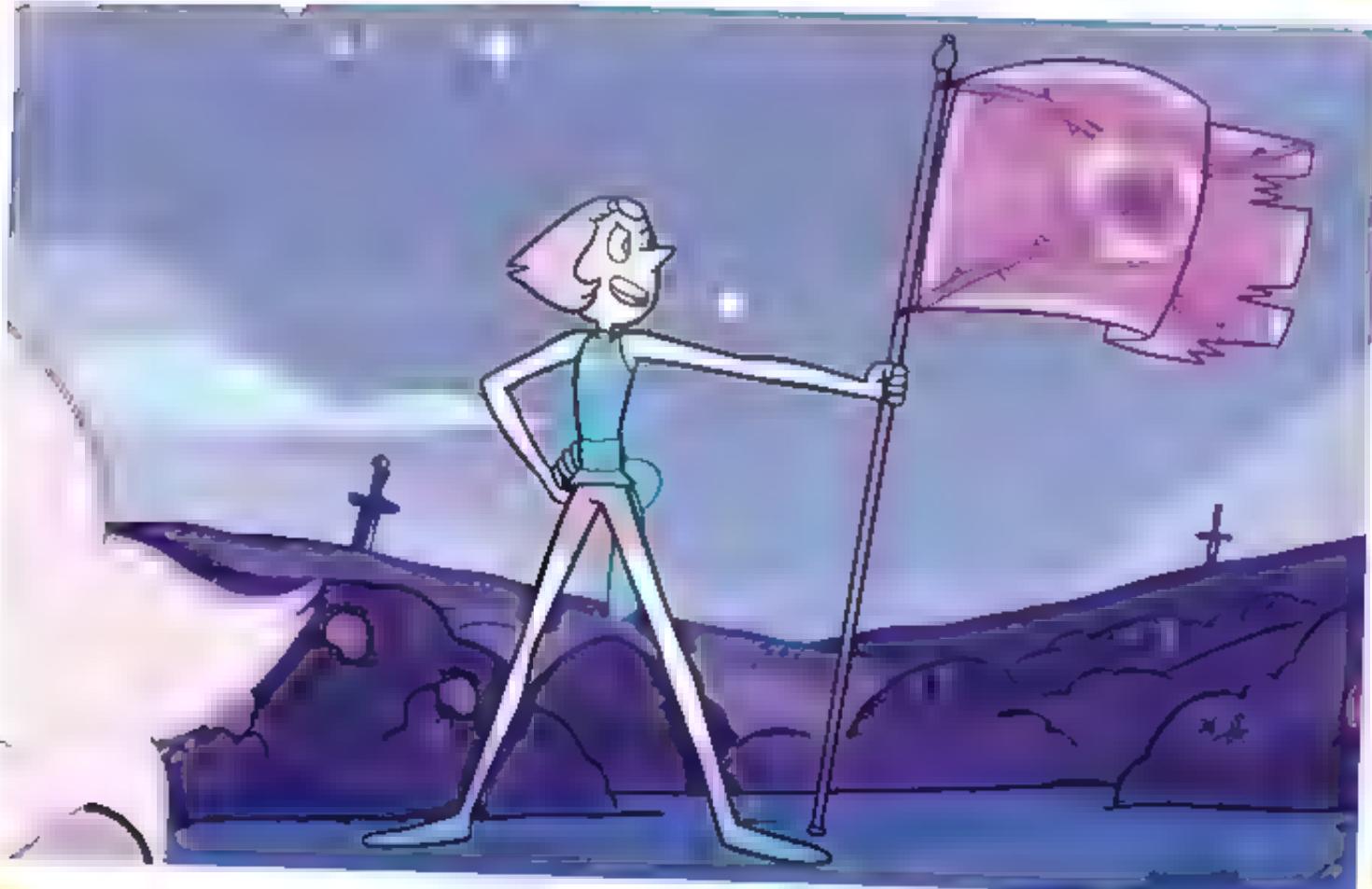
try to do your best."

Philosophy: "Life is short,

so live it to the fullest."

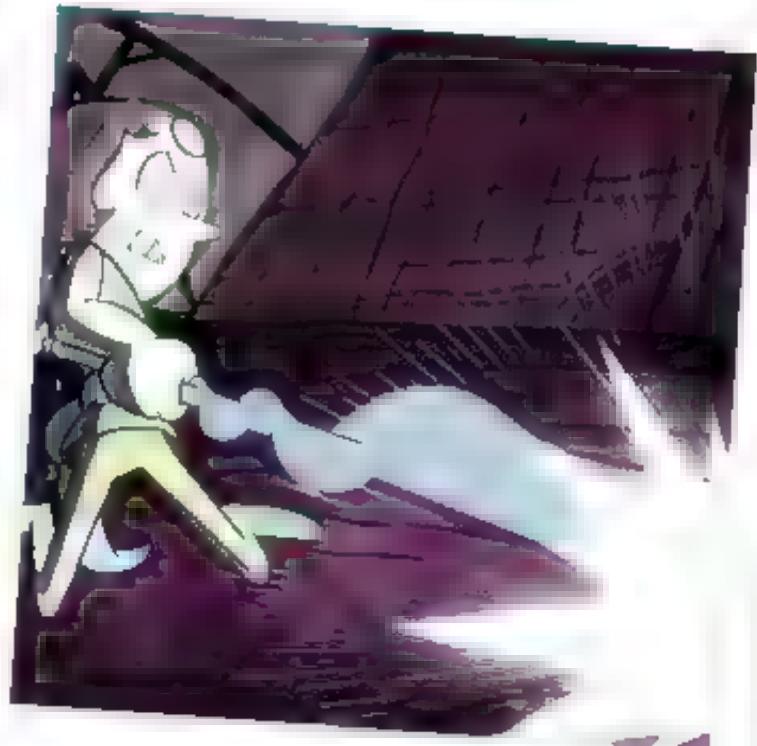
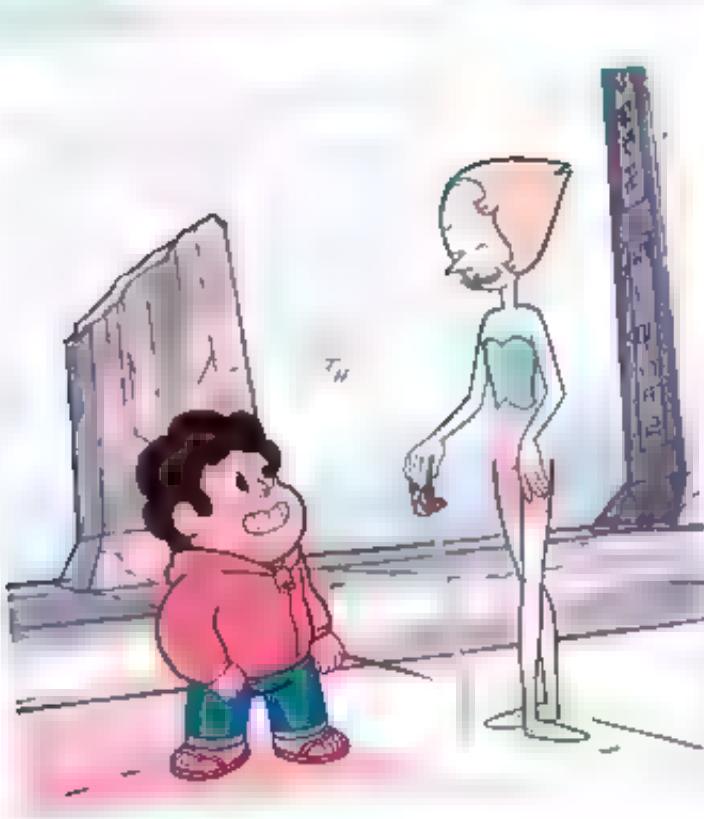


In the Name of Rose Quartz



Pearl has been fighting for Earth for a really, really long time! She and Mom were the original Crystal Gems. When Mom first decided to stay on Earth to try to save it, Pearl stayed, too, because she didn't want to leave Mom. Now Pearl's got a ton of amazing stories from the war, and a huge collection of swords, and she's still fighting to protect Earth, even after all these years. Pearl and Mom were really close. She always tells me about how amazing Mom was. She probably knows more about Mom than anybody, maybe even Dad.

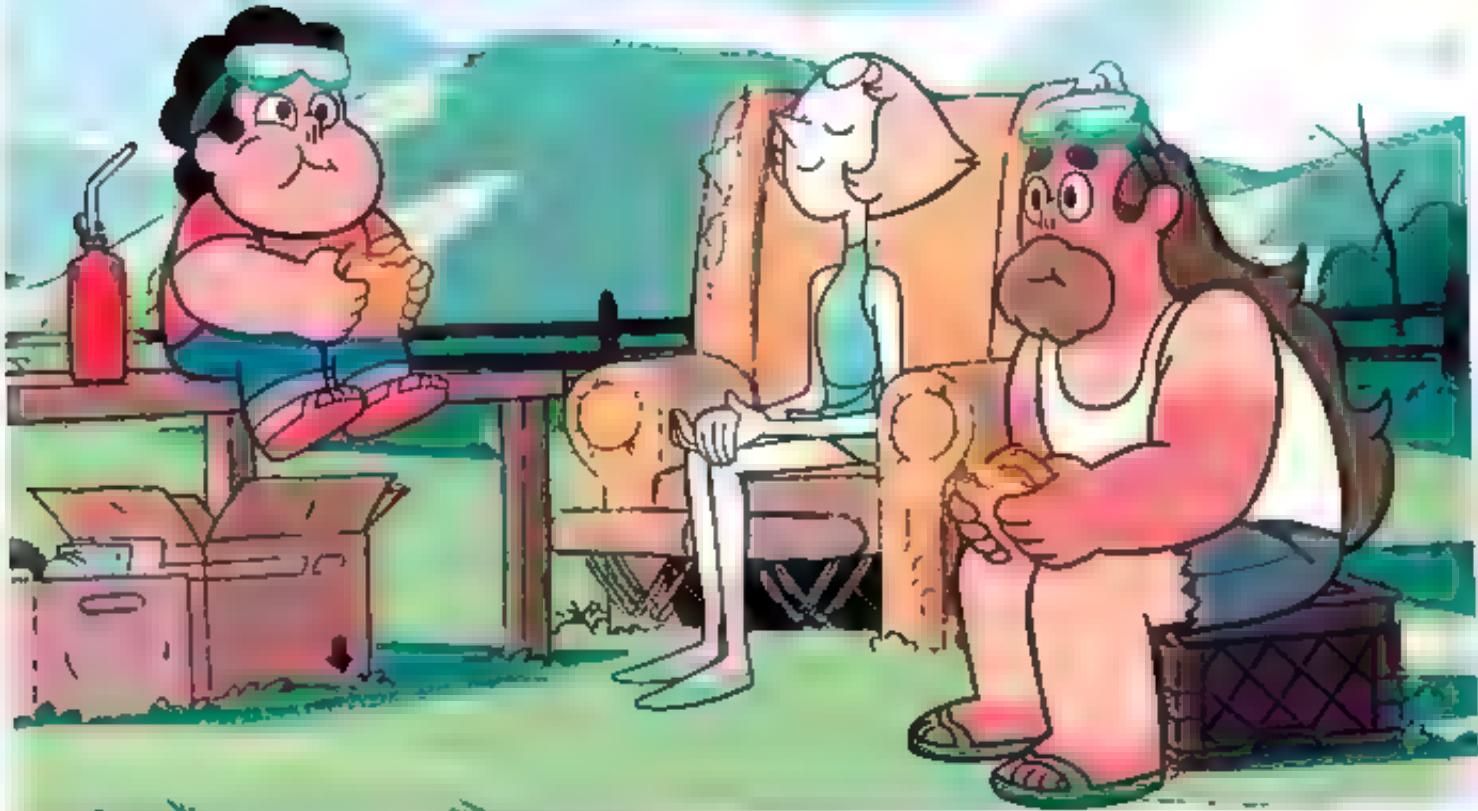
Hard Work and Dedication ...



Pearl works really hard to be a great fighter! She can shoot laser blasts out of her spear, and she knows all sorts of super-difficult sword fighting moves!



She Really Does Care About You!



Pearl has a hard time understanding humans and human stuff, but I know she really tries to be open to it! If she has a hard time talking to you, it's not because she doesn't like you—she just isn't quite sure how to act around people sometimes. I think she's just spent a lot more time around Gems and Gem culture than she's spent around human beings. You should show Pearl all the stuff you like and tell her all about yourself! Even if she seems confused, she's definitely really interested. After all, she's dedicated to protecting humans and the Earth!

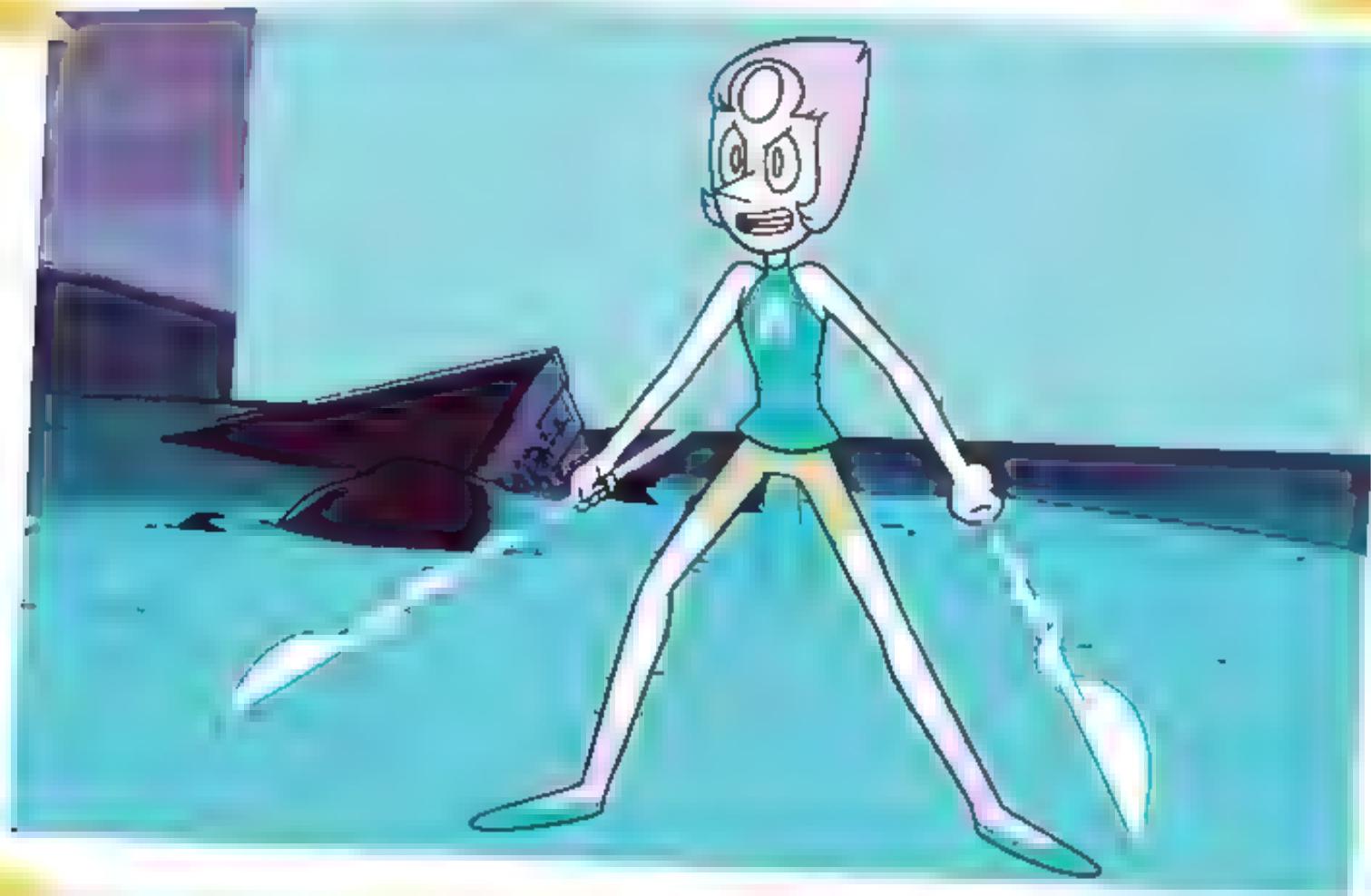
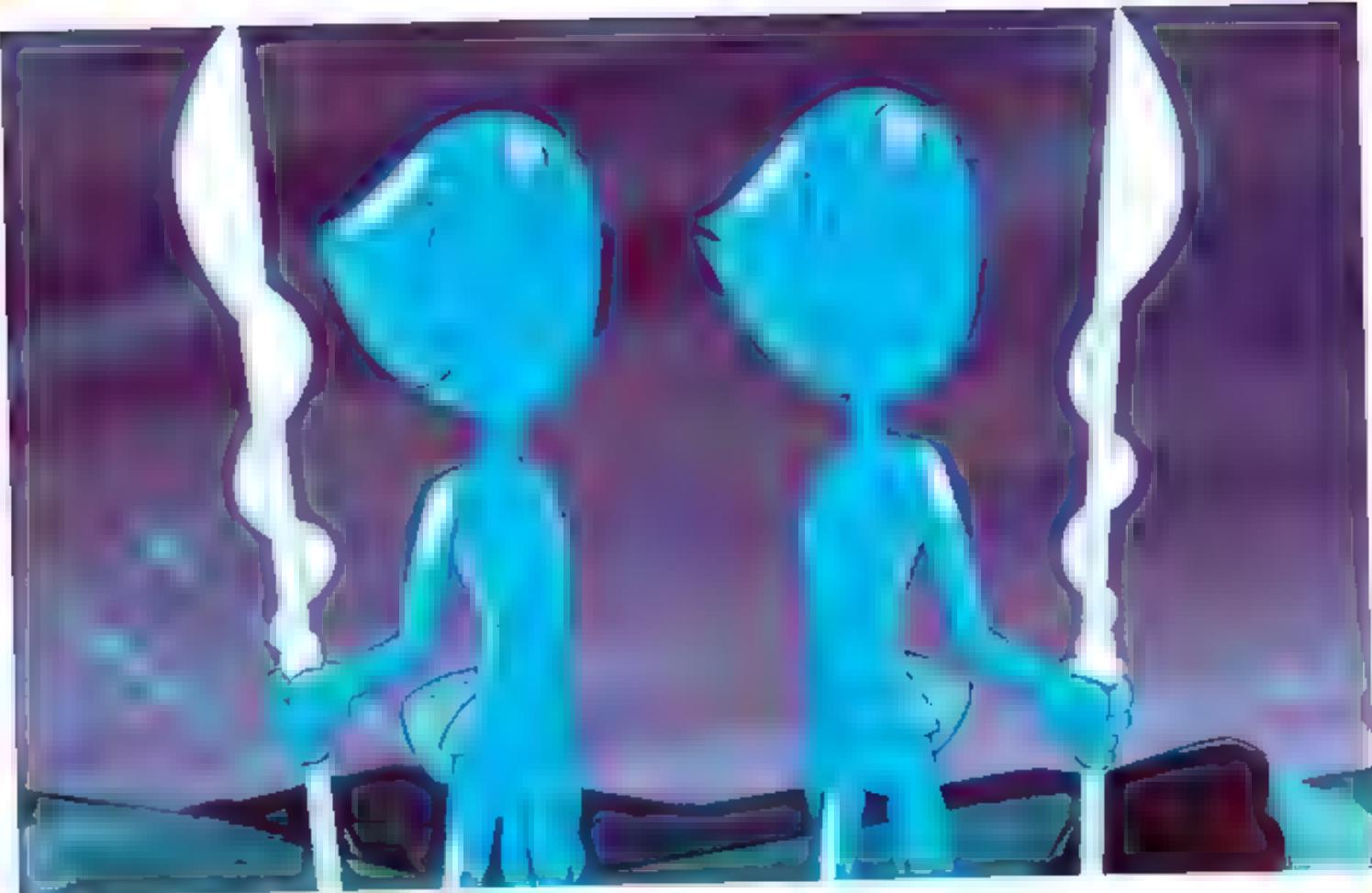
Executive Focus



Pearl did her best against a giant bird!



She took down Sugilite when Garnet and Amethyst got carried away!

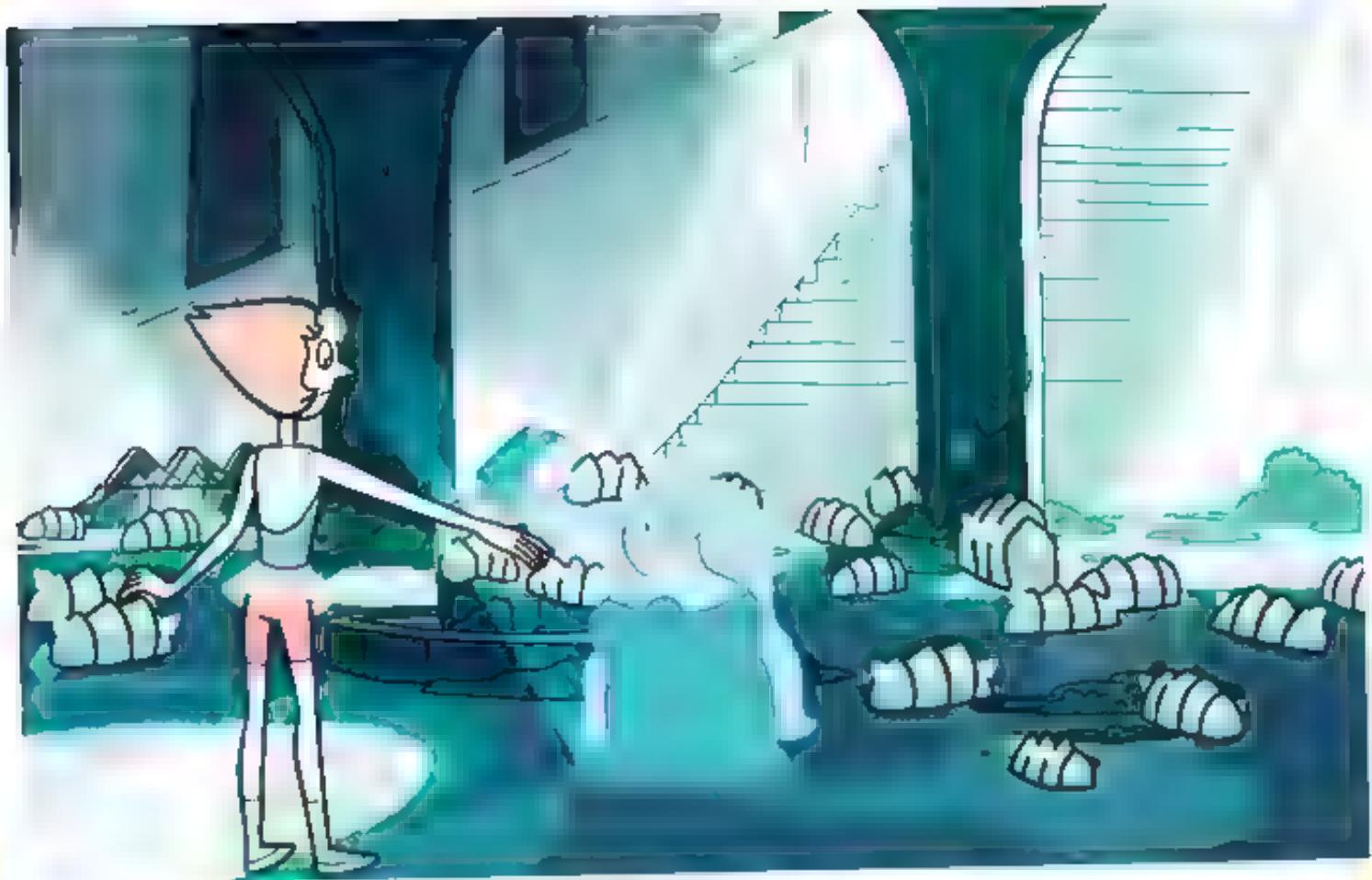


She took on Lapis's water clones with two spears!

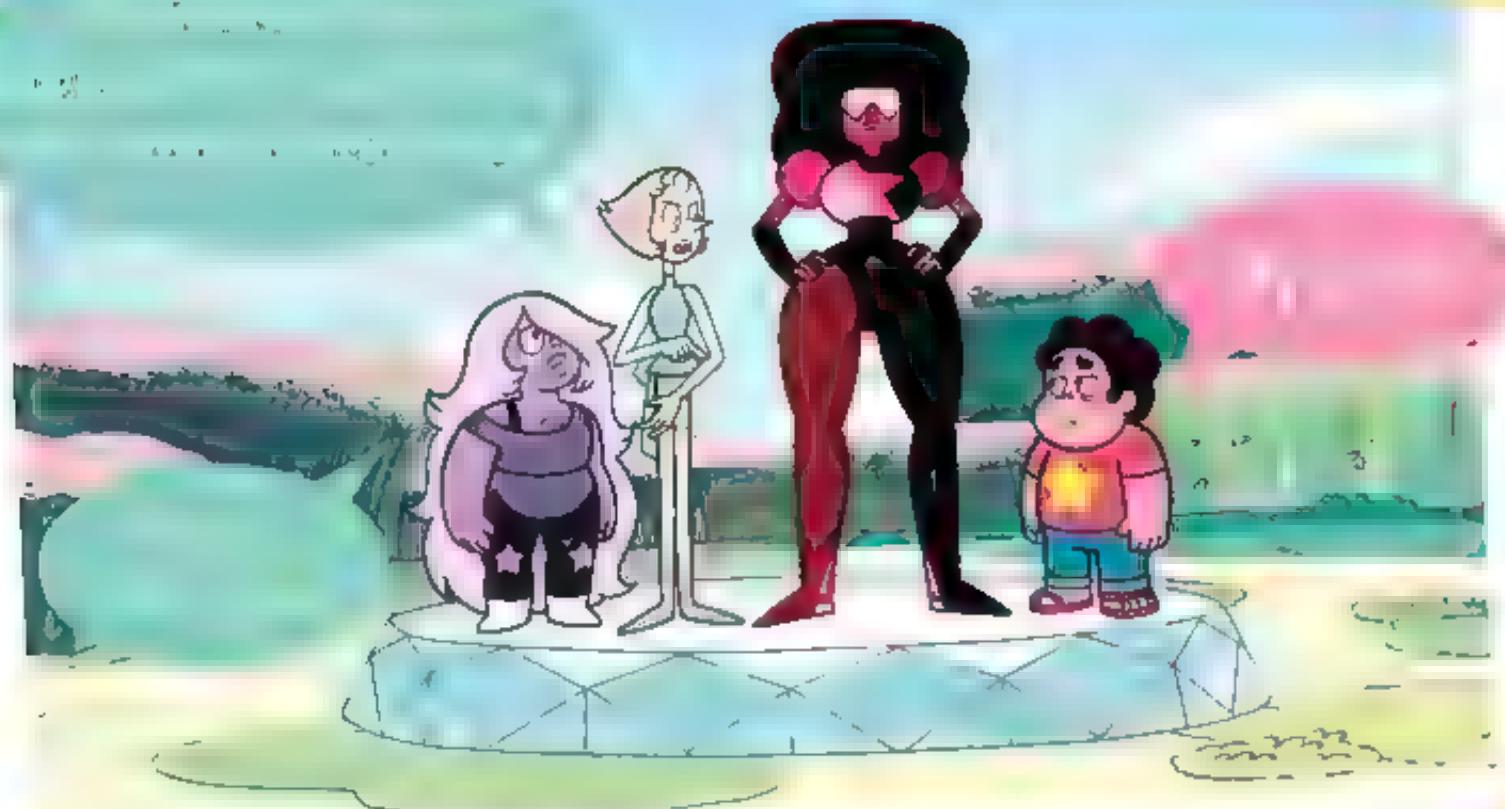
Melancholy Melonite



Pearl makes sure the rest of us follow the rules!



Pearl really likes to be right, which is okay, because she usually is! Except when I'm right. Or Garnet. Or Amethyst.



Pearl wanted to teach me proper manners, but I just wanted to stop sneezing!



I think Pearl had a really good time at Funland!



Pearl did her best to explain Gem Fusion to me, but it didn't make sense until I saw it in person!



You did what?



It was a joke, Pearl! I promise!

No dinner for one thousand years.



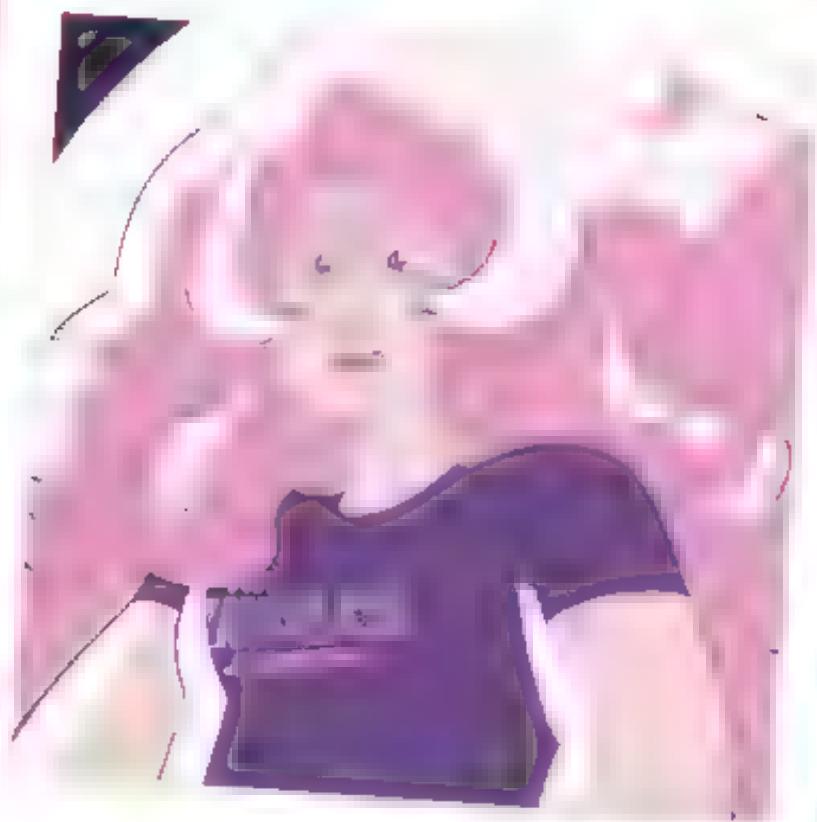
I can't decide if Pearl's punishment is actually any better than Garnet's! No TV?!



Rose Quartz



The Beauty in Everything



Mom saw the beauty in everything! She really loved humans and all human stuff, and also plants and animals and everything on Earth, I think. And she really loved music, and she really loved Dad. Dad gave her a Mr. Universe shirt after she came to one of his concerts, and she kept it! I saw it hanging up inside Lion's mane. The Gems say I'm a lot like Mom, so I'll take their word for it. I do like Earth . . . and music . . . and shirts, too!

Half of Me

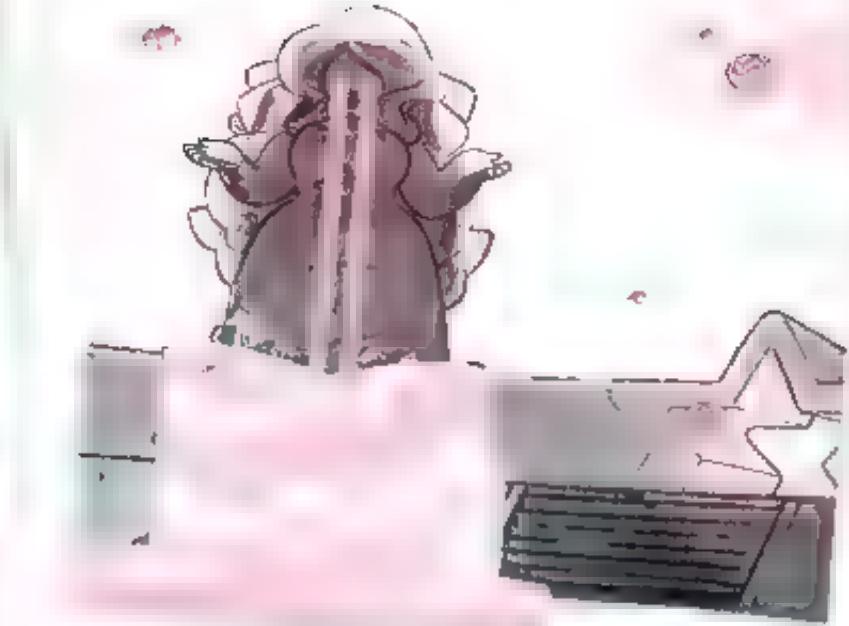
I have Mom's Gem, and Gems need their Gem to exist, so we can't both exist at the same time. Now all of Mom is half of me. I think you're kind of like that, too: You're half your mom and half your dad, in a DNA kinda way, but since you're both at once, and 'cause you have your own life, you're somebody else who's totally new! I think that's what's going on with me . . . half of me really *is* Mom—she's not gone—but half of me really *is* Dad, because I'm a human, too, and that's how human kids are. So I'm Mom, and I'm Dad, but mostly I'm me . . . I don't know, writing it out, it seems kind of like a given . . . Well . . . it's something that I think about a lot.



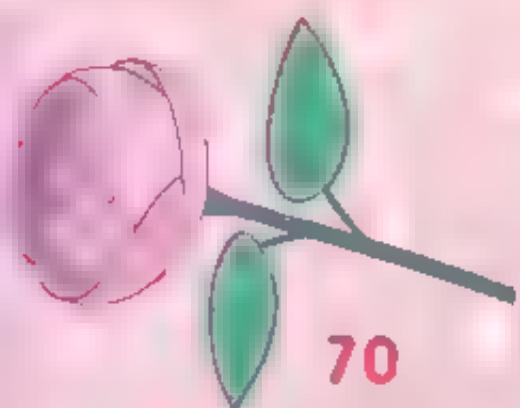
Encounter With Rose

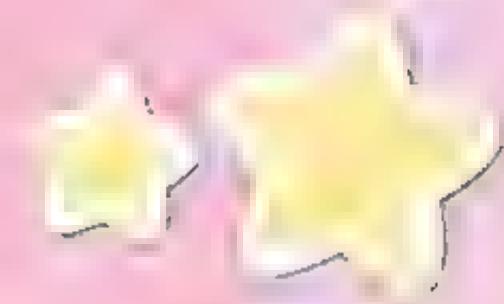


Even though I'll never get to meet my mom in person, I've found some things that help me get to know what she was like! One time, I went into her old room, and it was all pink and fluffy and full of clouds, and I made a cute tiny pink whale appear. The whale talked to me, and the room gave me whatever I asked for! But I think I need some practice to figure out how to make her room work right.



There's a big fountain that looks like Mom in her old healing spring. She looks like she was a really nice person, like she cares about everybody so much. For a while, her fountain was broken and covered with lots of thorny vines, but then Garnet and Pearl blasted them all away so that my mom's fountain could work again! I even thought for a second that her statue moved, but it must've been my imagination.

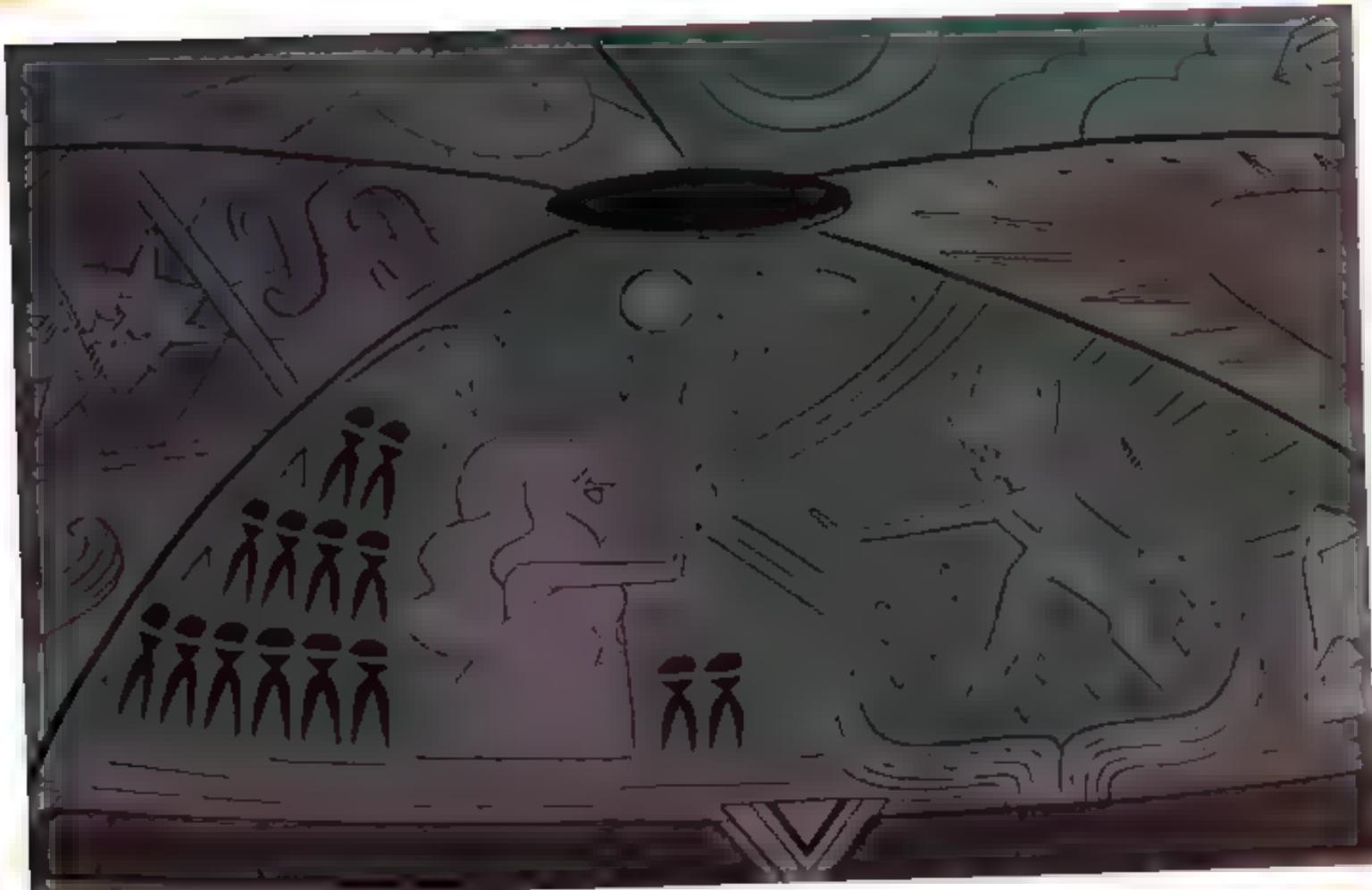




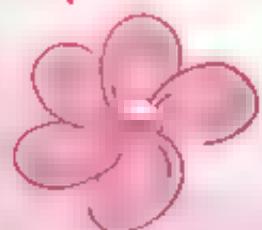
I also have a friend, Lion. He's a lion! He definitely used to belong to Mom. And I can phase through his mane! Inside of him is a field with a hill and a tree—that's where I found a bunch of my mom's old stuff. I even found a video that my mom made for me before I was born! I think my mom used Lion to carry her things around, like a living bag. But, of course, Lion's a lot cooler than a bag. He's a mystery—even to Pearl and Amethyst and Garnet!



Leader of the Crystal Gems



Pearl and Garnet told me about how Mom was the leader of the Crystal Gems back in the day, and how she rebelled against the Gem Homeworld to keep Earth from becoming a Gem-controlled planet. Earth is an independent planet because of Mom. I know everybody used to listen to Mom and look up to her! I hope I can be a great leader like Mom someday.



No Such Thing as a Good War

Dad said that during the war for Earth, Mom had to turn on her own kind. She had to because Gems were making Kindergartens that were damaging the ground, and if they'd kept making them, it would have wiped out all life on Earth. Mom must have fought really hard. I can tell from her stuff. There are tons of weapons in her armory, extra cannons and axes and armor, and she has a really big sword that I found inside of Lion. I'm glad the Crystal Gems won, but I wish Gems wouldn't fight each other.



HOMeworld GEMS



Lapis Lazuli



Species:
Gem Type:
Alignment:

Hair Color:
Clothing:

Gem Location:
Weapon:
Fun Fact:

Favorite Quote:

Peridot

Species:

Gem Type:

Alignment:

Hair Color:

Clothing:

Gem Location:

Weapon:

Fun Fact:

Favorite Quote:



Jewelpet



Species:

Gem Type:

Alignment:

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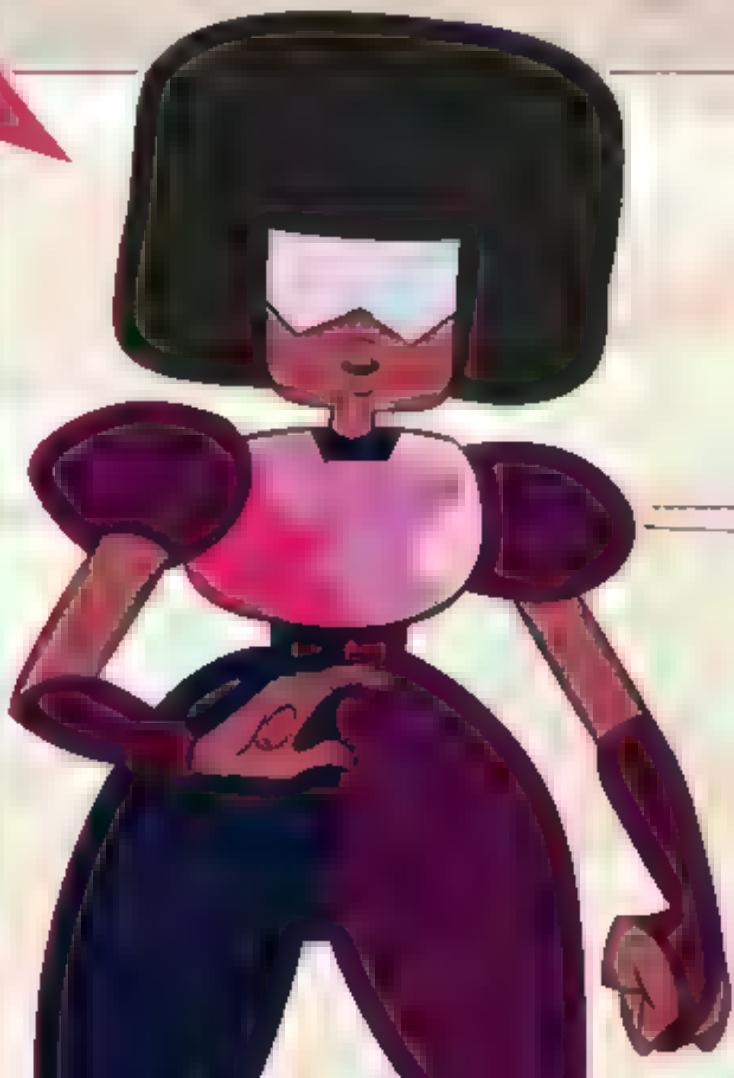
Weapon:

Fun Fact:

Favorite Quote:

FUSIONS

Fusion occurs when two or more Gems merge their physical forms into a single new being bearing the multiple Gems of the fusers. Unless the fusers are identical this new being, their Fusion, will be someone entirely new with their own color, personality, and powers. A Fusion is more than just a mash-up of the fusers; a Fusion is also a manifestation of the fusers' influence on each other. For example: Ruby is hot, Sapphire is cool, I am electric.



Living Relationships



A Fusion is a relationship. Some relationships are healthy and stable, like me. Some relationships are unsustainable, even if they seem promising at first. Some are furiously short, some are dangerously long. Some are toxic mistakes that are best avoided. Some are wonderful surprises that open you up to new ways of thinking and being.

Two Gems are always stronger than one if they're willing to work together. But a truly great Fusion is like a truly great relationship: Its power is amplified by trust, respect, absolute honesty, and constant communication.

Opal

Ability: Fusion
Hair Color: Long white hair in a ponytail, and

front

top with a drape in the front and the back, pink leggings, and yellow boots

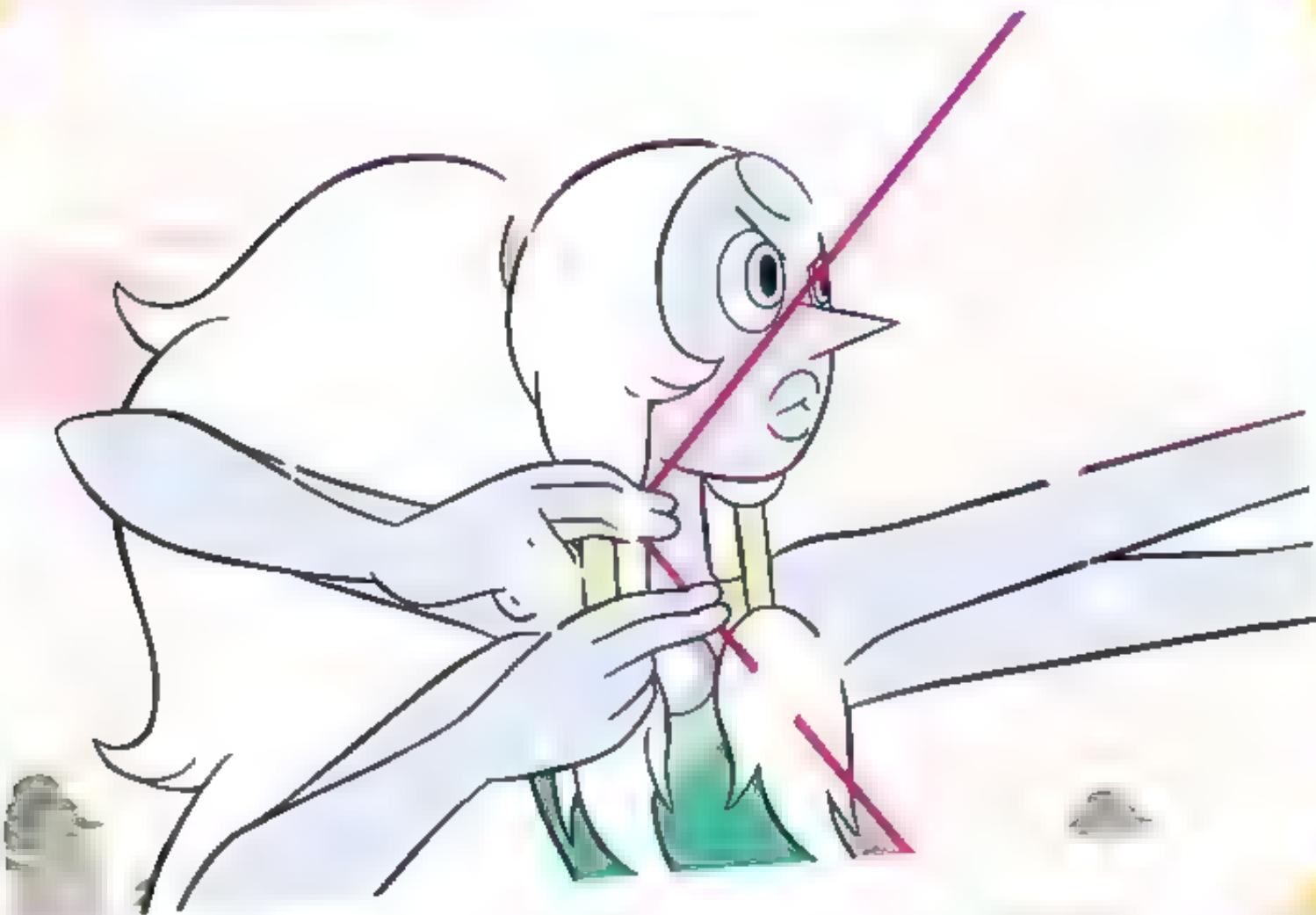
Forehead
and chest

Motivation: Opal is very forgetful.

Quotation: “All you wanna do is see me turn into a giant woman.”



Amethyst & Pearl



Amethyst and Pearl are extremely powerful when they're willing to work together in the form of Opal. Amethyst's ability to live in the moment plus Pearl's obsessive single-mindedness result in a Fusion that is very balanced. Opal achieves a peace in that balance that Amethyst and Pearl rarely experience on their own. Such peace, in fact, that Opal can sometimes completely forget what she's supposed to be doing.

Perfect balance is very difficult to hold. It doesn't take much to make Opal fall back into Amethyst and Pearl.

Sugilite

Species: Gem

Gem Type: Fusion

Hair Color: Dark purple
black

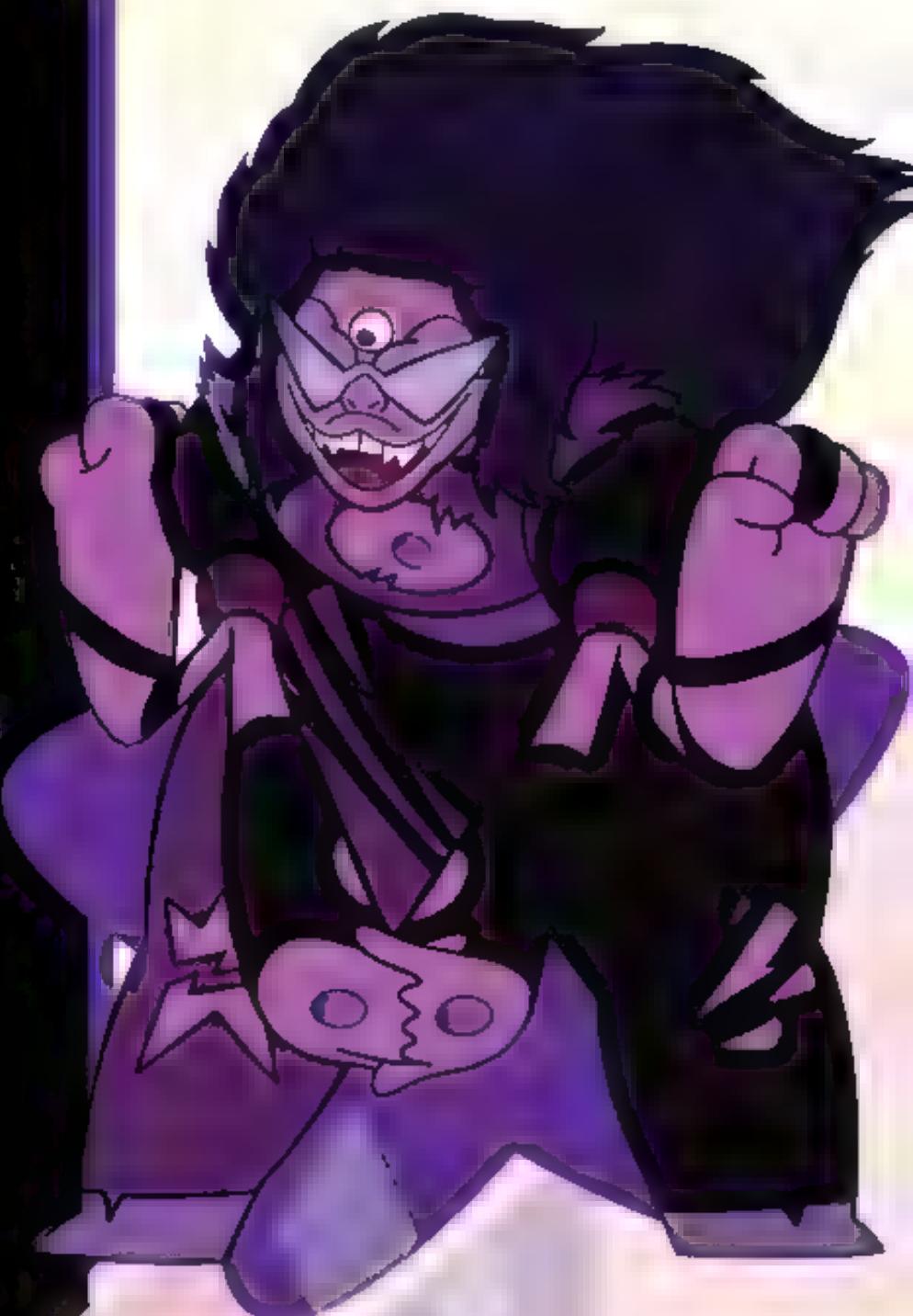
Clothing: Dark purple,
burgundy, and black
bodysuit with tears in it,
and a visor to cover four of
her five eyes

Gem Location: Chest and
palms

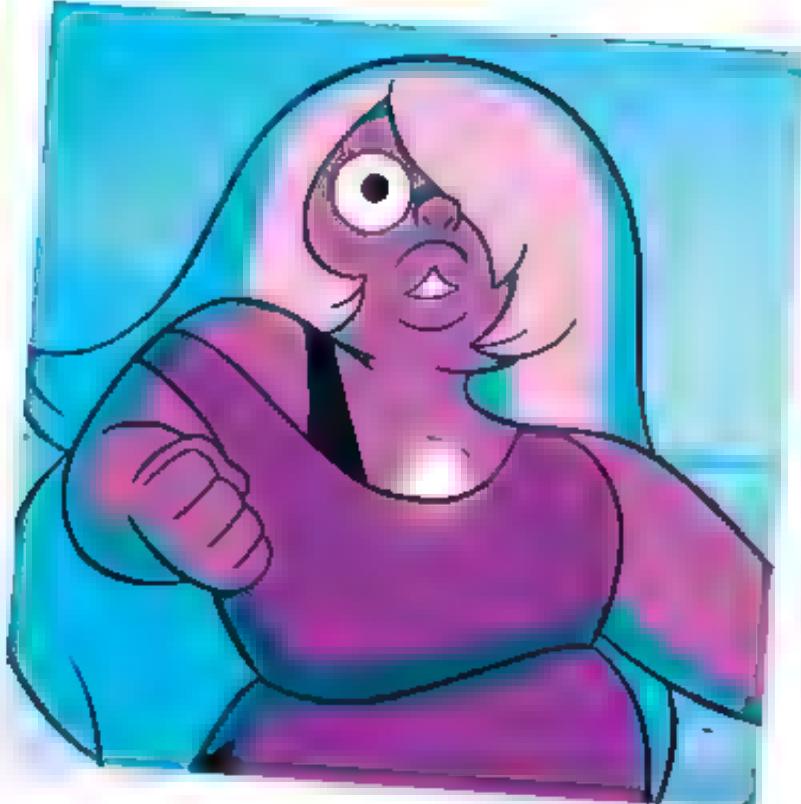
Weapon: Flail

Fun Fact: Sugilite is a bit
of a show-off.

Favorite Quote: "Hey,
Steven, wanna see
something cool?"



Garnet & Amethyst



Amethyst can be a bit reckless, and I can be a bit brash. At times, we can both get carried away, especially if we're egging each other on. Together we become Sugilite, an uninhibited powerhouse with nothing to prove and everything to show off. Amethyst's lack of inhibition and my raw power make Sugilite so fun to be that it's hard to want to separate once we form her.

In Amethyst's defense, it is very difficult to form a balanced Fusion with yours truly. I'm already two Gems. Three becomes a bit of a party.

Alexandrite

Species:

Gem Type:

Hair Color:

Clothing:

Gem Location:

Weapon:

Fun Fact:

Favorite Quote:



Garnet, Amethyst & Pearl



Alexandrite is an incredible force on the battlefield. When Pearl, Amethyst, and I fuse together with a singular goal, we are unstoppable. But when the singular goal is a dinner party with a human family, we are very confused, and we are very confusing, and we are very sorry.





Malachite

Species: Gem

Gem Type: Fusion

Hair Color: Pale green

Clothing:

with yellow diamond
insignia

Gem Location: Nose

Weapon: Water

Fun Fact:

not have a single voice.

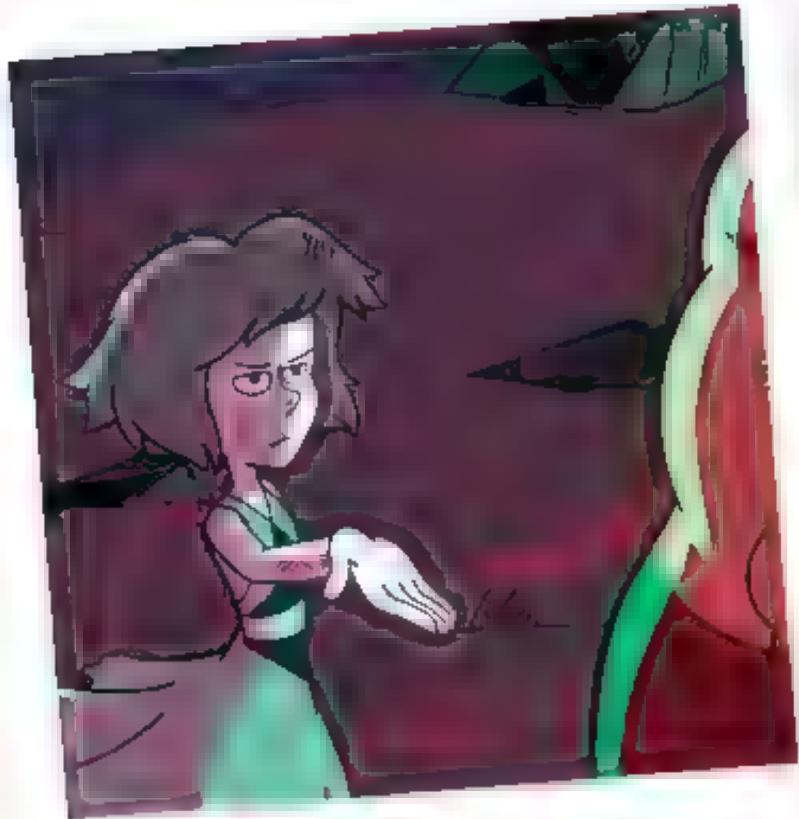
Favorite Quote: "Let's

plan the next attack!"



Lapis & Jasper

These two are really bad for each other. Malachite was formed through extortion and deception, and held together out of revenge. Malachite is the worst relationship imaginable.





Stevonnie

Species:

Gem Type:

Hair Color:

Clothing:

Gem Location:

Fun Fact:

Favorite Quote:



Steven & Connie



Perfect. A spontaneous Fusion of love, as impossible as it was inevitable. Even I could never have guessed it. Steven is capable of fusing with human beings. I could not be prouder of Steven and Connie.

Thanks, Garnet!
Fusing was one the
coolest feelings
I've ever felt!



Thanks so much to all the humans who
read this guide! You're all the best, and I'm
so glad you're alive!

THANKS AGAIN, AND EARTH FOREVER!

We are the Crystal Gems.
We'll always save the day.
And if you think we can't,
We'll always find a way.
That's why the people of
this world believe in
Garnet, Amethyst, and
Pearl, and Steven!



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